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INTERNATIONAL SOCCER SERIES

\$1m GOLDEN GREEK HERE!

By John Economos

THOMAS MAVROS, A.E.K.'s crack 28 year old striker, will be one of the biggest stars in the Greek side coming to tour Australia for the International Soccer Series which kicks off at the end of this month.

Mavros, the "Golden Greek" striker, was the leading Greek League this season, goalscorer in the season, having slam-

med in no fewer than 27 goals.

The New York Cosmos last year, offered his club A.E.K. just over \$1 million dollars in an attempt to secure Mavros' services.

This offer was followed up recently by an American Greek team which offered Mavros \$90,000 to

play in the USA for a 40 day term.

A.E.K. immediately refused permission and paid Mavros \$45,000 just to stay in Greece and just rest.

A.E.K. will join Dutch side, PSV Eindhoven, Yugoslavia's Red Star and the Australian Socceroos in the coming \$120,000

International Soccer Series which kicks off at Melbourne's Olympic Park on July 31st.

PSV Eindhoven clashes in the first match with Red Star of Belgrade on the Wednesday night and the Dutch team follows up with it's match against Frank Arok's Socceroos in

Sydney at the St George Stadium on Friday evening, August 2nd.

Sunday August 4, A.E.K. plays in Melbourne against PSV Eindhoven, whilst on the same day in Sydney, Australia meets Red Star at the St George Stadium.

Full programme is on page 11.

ROZIC SUES FEDERATION!

SYDNEY CROATIA's player coach and former Yugoslav international — VEDRAN ROZIC is set for a 'showdown' with the Yugoslav Soccer Federation (YSF).

Last week Rozic brought the YSF to court because of the dispute last season over his right to play for Sydney Croatia in Australia.

Rozic, who is currently the driving force behind an enigmatic Croatian side challenging for title honours, filed a petition with a Belgrade court alleging that the YSF had illegally prevented him from playing in the National League.

Exclusively to ASW Rozic claimed that there is quite a bit of trouble brewing.

"It is true that they did something very wrong to me last year and I can't see anything the matter with what I am doing."

"FIFA (The Federation of International Football) made it clear to them that they must give me a clearance - but in the end they did not."

Rozic's lawyer asked the court to order the YSF to issue a licence allowing Rozic to join Sydney Croatia and demanded no less than two million dinars (A\$10,317) in damages.

As for what Rozic knew of the upcoming hostilities, "I am not quite sure what is going to happen I just know that when I wanted to play for

Sydney Croatia last year I was not permitted to, so we'll wait and see what is decided."

BY FRANK COLETTA

The petition said Rozic fulfilled all conditions to play in Australia, but the YSF had failed to issue him an international licence (clearance) following "sensationalist reports in the Yugoslav media about the alleged hostile nature of Croatia."

A year ago Yugoslav newspapers reported that the Sydney team was strongly influenced by emigre organisations hostile to Yugoslavia.

The petition denied the reports saying that a number of Yugoslav first division teams had played against Croatia in recent years.

The trial was adjourned until September 16, and until then Vedran Rozic is content to attempt to lead the star-studded side of Croatia containing

the class of Arnold, to their first ever Patikas and Odzakov National League title.



JIMMY PATIKAS



Croatia's Vedran Rozic, the man in the middle of a legal battle with the Yugoslav Soccer Federation.



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THE PARTY'S OVER FOR BLACKTOWN

BY KEN HEALEY

THE season virtually ended for Blacktown at Bruce Stadium when Canberra City came from behind to snatch a deserved 3-2 win.

Canberra started more strongly and it was no surprise when an Ian Gibson rocket from 25 metres opened the scoring in the 21st minute.

Blacktown replied with a penalty 25 minutes later to Phil O'Connor.

It had the home crowd booing referee Neil Murray.

Then Blacktown played its best football, scoring a fine team goal in the 64th minute.

With four players to two, Blacktown attacked from half way.

Anthony Franken brilliantly turned Brett Thornthwaite's drive away, but O'Connor latched onto the re-

bound and Blacktown had hit the front.

This brought the best out of Canberra.

It took only 10 minutes for the equaliser.

Steve Bryant drove a free kick into the wall, then chipped the rebound cleverly over both wall and keeper Barry Hoare.

From that moment Canberra found more reserves of desperate energy.

In the 78th minute Tom English took full retribution after a Blacktown defender had failed to clear the ball.

John Bradley had dominated midfield for the visitors, but Peter Burke and Bryant at the back and the

whole forward line gave Canberra a distinct edge.

Man of the Match: Canberra left back STEVE BRYANT for a first half match-saving defence and a second half of inspired attack.

CANBERRA: Frank-en, Mihailidis, Bryant, Harkins (Farrell 71), Burke, Dunn, Byrne, Sermanni, Lamond, Gibson, English.

BLACKTOWN: Hoare, Skellern, Spanos, Bourke, Pointer, Selva, Thornthwaite, Bradley, Larkin, McKie, O'Connor.

REFEREE: Neil Murray.

CROWD: 610.

KATHOLOS GOES TO GREEK CUP HOLDERS

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

PETER KATHOLOS, Sydney Olympic's powerful midfielder, flew out of Sydney secretly to Greece, to sign up with Cup holders, Larissa.

Kat arrived in Athens last Friday and went straight to Larissa to discuss terms of his contract.

Larissa offered Katholos a three year contract of \$75,000 plus a monthly wage of \$800.

But during negotia-

tions, Katholos refused to sign for three years and at the moment is still demanding only a two year contract.

If Larissa finally agrees to Katholos' terms, he will fly back to Australia next Wednesday but has to

be back in Athens by August 10 for pre-season training.

Another Greek side, A.E.K. who come to Australia later this month for the International Soccer Tournament, is also bidding for Katholos' signature.

BOOST FOR WOLVES

WOLLONGONG WOLVES took the most positive step possible to avoid relegation by beating fellow cellar dwellers Newcastle Rosebud 3-1 at Adamstown.

With the Steel City Cup and possible demotion at stake this battle had all the ingredients of a vital cup tie except for the fact that Newcastle failed to come to the party.

The 'Gong went ahead after 23 minutes when Larry Gaffney

skirted the left touch line to lay on a chance for Pat Brodnik to convert from close range.

A surprising 51st minute upfield foray by goalkeeper Clint Gosling started the move that brought Newcastle's equaliser. The keeper sprinted 30

metres to lay on a chance for Pat Brodnik to convert from close range. The ensuing goalmouth scrimmage Stefanoski hammered the ball into the roof of the net.

Bernie Godzik put the case beyond issue as he broke clear from a 77th minute goal kick to make a scoring run.

NEWCASTLE: Gosling, M. Jones, Boogaard, Owens, Thompson, Maier, McQuarrie, Senkalski, Brandt, Stewart, Todd.

WOLLONGONG: Velkov, Green, Gaffney, Hristovski, Vlietstra, Marton, Godzik, Bundalo (Stefanoski 65), Willis, Kotamindis, Brodnik.

REFEREE: R. Doneau.

CROWD: 600.

OLYMPIC AIRWAYS SOCCER LEAGUE

NSL NORTHERN DIVISION

ROUND 19:

PENRITH 0 SYDNEY CROATIA 1 (Z Jurin) at Cook Park.

Crowd: 2119.

MARCONI 0 SYDNEY CITY 0 at Marconi Stadium.

Crowd: 1956.

CANBERRA 3 (I Gibson, S Bryant, T English) BLACKTOWN 2 (P O'Connor 2) at National Sports Centre.

Crowd: 610.

ST GEORGE 2 (T Morgan, R Cotton) LEICHHARDT 0 at St George Stadium. Crowd: 2214.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (S Ogun) MONARO 1 (A Titilas) at Croatian Sports Centre. Crowd: 2137.

NEWCASTLE 1 (J Senkalski) WOLLONGONG 3 (D Marton, R Stefanoski, B Godzik) at Adamstown.

Crowd: 1100.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sydney Croatia	19	12	5	2	42	19	29
Marconi	19	11	6	2	40	20	28
Sydney City	18	11	5	2	33	17	27
Sydney Olympic	19	10	2	7	23	22	22
St George	19	7	6	6	28	22	20
Canberra	19	7	5	7	29	30	19
Blacktown	19	7	3	9	29	26	17
Inter Monaro	19	6	5	8	27	35	17
Apia Leichhardt	18	6	1	11	19	31	13
Penrith City	19	3	6	10	20	27	12
Wollongong City	19	4	4	11	23	43	12
Newcastle Rosebud	19	3	4	12	18	39	10

NSL SOUTHERN DIVISION

ROUND 19:

PRESTON 3 (S Lane 2, I Dobson) MELBOURNE

CROATIA 2 (D McIntosh, A Ljubic) at Connor Reserve.

Crowd: 2500.

BRUNSWICK 3 (A Zinni, J Sweeney, R Cullen) SUNSHINE

0 at Olympic Park. Crowd: 1409.

BRISBANE LIONS 3 (C Anderson, J Stewart, J Ogden)

ADELAIDE CITY 0 at Richlands. Crowd: 414.

SOUTH MELBOURNE 1 (D Brown) HEIDELBERG 0 at

Middle Park. Crowd: 6500.

WEST ADELAIDE 1 (G Price) FOOTSCRAY 5 (V Bello 2, Z

Lujic 2, J Carroll) at Hindmarsh. Crowd: 1000.

GREEN GULLY 4 (P Lewis, 2 J Williams, D Smallman)

BRISBANE CITY 1 (R Junna) at Green Gully Reserve.

Crowd: 150.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
South Melbourne	19	12	4	3	31	19	28
Brunswick Juve	19	11	5	3	32	17	27
Heidelberg Utd	19	8	6	5	26	16	22
Melbourne Croatia	19	9	4	6	25	16	22
Preston	19	9	3	7	28	26	21
Sunshine GC	19	6	6	7	18	19	18
Brisbane Lions	18	7	4	7	20	22	18
Adelaide City	19	6	4	9	28	33	16
Green Gully	19	5	5	9	21	25	15
Brisbane City	18	6	3	9	24	35	15
West Adelaide	19	5	4	10	21	33	14
Footscray	19	4	2	13	23	36	10

NSL TOP SCORERS

NORTHERN DIVISION

- 13 — Arnold (S. Cro), Patikas (S. Cro)
- 10 — Jankovics (M)
- 9 — O'Connor (BC), Brown (M)
- 8 — Lowe (M)
- 7 — Gary (M), Morgan (SG), Kosmina (S. Cit) Gomez (S. Cit)

SOUTHERN DIVISION

- 13 — Egan (SM)
- 10 — Sweeney (BJ), Stevenson (H), Price (WA)
- 8 — Lewis (GG), Smith (P), Brown (SM), Latif (SGC)
- 7 — Zinni (BJ), Ward (MC)



ABOVE: JIM PATIKAS

SCOREBOARD

TNT SKYPAK LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Fairy Meadow	15	11	3	1	21	7	25
Melita Eagles	15	9	3	3	30	13	21
Canterbury	15	8	4	3	32	16	20
Sutherland	15	7	5	3	27	13	19
Ku-ring-gai	15	7	5	3	21	14	19
Avala	15	5	6	4	17	12	16
Rockdale Ilinden	15	5	5	5	21	15	15
Manly Warringah	14	4	6	4	15	14	14
Warringah N'been	14	12	4	8	11	30	8
Uruguay Auburn	14	1	9	6	20	6	
Polonia	14	2	2	10	13	40	6
Bankstown National	13	1	3	9	8	28	5

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
W'gong Macedonia	14	11	3	0	31	6	23
Gladesville Hby	13	10	1	2	28	8	21
Queens Park	11	7	2	2	30	8	16
Blacktown United	12	7	2	3	29	12	16
Yugal	13	5	3	5	27	18	13
North Bankstown	13	5	3	5	15	10	13
Artamon	11	4	4	3	18	12	12
Campbelltown City	11	5	1	5	20	14	11
Bathurst '75	12	2	4	6	16	21	8
Dee Why	13	2	5	6	7	21	7
Canterbury & Dist	13	1	2	10	9	41	4
Penrith United	14	0	2	12	9	62	2

THIRD DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Kingsford	14	7	7	0	29	15	21
North Ryde	14	9	1	4	27	15	19
King Tomislav	14	7	4	3	23	14	18
Baulkham Hills	14	7	4	3	21	14	18
Bondi Marine	12	6	5	1	29	13	17
Rooty Hill	13	5	2	6	27	15	12
C'belltown Gunners	14	2	5	7	16	22	9
Port Hacking	11	3	3	5	13	20	9
Moorebank L'pool	11	4	1	6	10	18	9
Granville District	13	2	5	6	16	25	9
Uni of NSW	12	2	4	6	10	20	8
Mt Druitt Town	13	1	4	8	10	36	45

TNT SKYPAK SOCCER LEAGUE

	1st	2nd	3rd
Bankstown National v Ku-ring-gai	4-3	0-9	2-1
Fairy Meadow v Cant. M'ville Oly	0-0	2-3	2-0
Manly Warringah v Rockdale Ilinden	1-0	0-1	2-2
Polonia v Warringah N'been	1-7	3-2	0-1
Uruguay Auburn v Sutherland Shire	0-3	1-3	0-1
Avala v Melita Eagles	0-1	1-2	2-2

STATE LEAGUE SECOND DIVISION

	1st	2nd	3rd
Artamon v Dee Why	0-0	2-0	2-0
Cant & Dist v Queens Park	0-4	1-5	1-4
Queens Park v Cant & Dist	3-1	2-2	3-0
Polonia v Warringah N'been	7-1	3-1	0-1
Campbelltown v Penrith United	0-2	0-1	0-4
Bathurst '75 v Gladesville H	0-1	0-1	3-6
SSC Yugal v Nth Bankstown	0-1	3-2	4-0
Blacktown United v Wollongong Mac	1-1		

STATE LEAGUE THIRD DIVISION

	1st	2nd	3rd
Rooty Hill v Moorebank L	3-0	1-4	1-2
Port Hacking v Bondi Marine	1-1	0-2	0-3
King Tomislav v Kingsford	0-0	0-2	1-2
Campbelltown Dist v North Ryde RSL	1-3	1-2	0-2
Baulkham Hills v Mt Druitt Town	6-0	3-3	2-2

INTER URBAN FIRST DIVISION

	1st	2nd
Spanish Club v Eastwood St A	2-1	2-5
Fairfield Kiev v West St George	3-0	1-7
Sydney Uni v CSI Schofields	1-0	0-0
Lane Cove United v West Park	0-1	0-3
Nineveh Eagles v Padstow Park	0-3	0-4

INTER URBAN SECOND DIVISION

	1st	2nd
Green Valley v Wentworth	2-1	4-0
Chile Sports v Concordia	3-4	1-3
Pagewood v Macquarie Uni	2-0	2-3
Chelsea v Trasandinos	2-4	1-1
Macquarie Utd v Hawkesbury Dist	0-3	1-1
Liverpool City v Concordia	1-1	1-1
Chile Sports v Maroubra	1-1	1-1

INTER URBAN THIRD DIVISION

	1st	2nd
Concord Juniors v Robins	2-0	1-1
Blacktown Wands v Rangers Hadjuk	3-1	4-2
Dulwich Hill v Welcome Sports	3-0	3-0
Chullora v Rosebery	1-4	1-5

INTER URBAN FOURTH DIVISION

	1st	2nd
Colo Colo v Blacktown Workers	2-2	2-3
Petersham L v Castle Hill	2-2	0-2
Lansvale v Macedonia Yagoona	6-1	4-0
Greenisland v Murray Farm Rangs	0-4	1-4
Nepean Rovers v Argentinian L		

INTER URBAN FIFTH DIVISION

	1st	2nd
Crescent Star v Hellas Poseidon	3-0	13-0
Cyprus United v Luddenham Croatia	5-1	3-1
Columbian v Amal	3-4	0-2
Fairfield Athletic v Amal	6-0	2-2
Abruzzi v Santiago Wands	2-2	4-0
Columbian v Highlands		1-3

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STH MELBOURNE STAY ON TOP BUT HEIDELBERG BETTER

BY CON NIKOLOPOULOS

SOUTH MELBOURNE staged a first round reversal to win the All Greek derby at Middle Park.

The leaders of the Southern Division maintained their hopes for a second successive title with a narrow 1-0 win over arch rivals Heidelberg United.

In a lacklustre affair with the underdogs Heidelberg showing greater initiative and skill, South Melbourne survived a first half onslaught through the brilliance of their goalkeeper Peter Laumets.

Laumets went airborne repeatedly to parry well-taken shots by Heidelberg captain Theo Selemidis and young midfielder Steve Tasios.

In the second half with the gale force wind on their back South Melbourne initiated some defence-splitting attacks that enabled them to threaten Jeff Olver's goal.

In turn the Soccerroo keeper responded superbly to the challenges issued by Charlie Egan and Doug Brown and kept South Melbourne at bay until the 61st minute when Doug Brown volleyed in the net a defence clearance from a Kenny Murphy free kick.

Heidelberg applied tremendous pressure on their opponents in the closing quarter of the game but failed to penetrate South's defence in which Steve Blair stood towering and Gary McDowell excelled in repelling his opponents as well

as prompting most of the attacks.

But the highlight of the game was the performance of Heidelberg's diminutive winger Peter Tsolakis.

English superstar Malcolm McDonald had predicted a great future for the youngster during his short visit to Australia some years ago, and it seems that Tsolakis is destined to carve his name on the history book with his unlimited talent.

While South Melbourne maintained their hopes for the title, at Connor Reserve Preston made certain of a position in the top five with a spectacular 3-2 win over close rivals Melbourne Croatia.

In a game of fluctuating fortunes Melbourne Croatia gained the lead twice but a goal by Sean Lane eight minutes before full time caused Croatia to succumb to their impressive opponents.

Croatia went in the lead after two minutes when David McIntosh headed the ball in the net following a goal mouth scramble that saw the ball bouncing off the crossbar twice.

The goal did not kill Preston who organised themselves quickly and levelled the score in the 14th minute with Sean Lane who was deputising in the forward line for Gary Cole.

Undeterred by the equaliser, Croatia regained the lead four minutes later with Andy Lubjic and appeared certain winners until 15 minutes before full-time when Ian Dobson levelled the score for the second time.

Preston secured the two points in the 82nd minute when Lane beat Runje for the third time to give his side a deserved 3-2 win.

Brunswick Juventus also recorded a spectacular 3-0 win over Sunshine George Cross to maintain their close challenge to leaders South Melbourne.

Juventus proved superior to their pathetic opponents who staged what coach John Gardiner described as their worst performance for this season.

Following Sunday's defeat George Cross practically lost every chance of making the top five.

Andrew Zinni put Juventus in the lead after seven minutes. But the goal did not affect the George Cross outfit that tried desperately to grab the equaliser.

The game however, slid through their hands in 58th minute when Joe Sweeney netted the second goal with a tremendous header.

Thirteen minutes before full-time Robert Cullen completed the scoring, enabling Brunswick to continue

their chase for the title.

As for George Cross, the closest they came to scoring was in the 80th minute when Karl Gilder rattled the crossbar with a powerful shot.

While Sunshine were pondering their future in this year's championship, Green Gully were celebrating a 4-1 win over Brisbane City that enabled them to keep off the relegation zone.

Gully have accumulated five points from their last three games and although they are not absolutely certain of their position in the league it seems highly unlikely that they will slip down again in the course of the championship.

Veteran Jim Williams netted Gully's first goal after 27 minutes but his joy was very short-lived because City came back with Ray Junna to level the score.

Three minutes into the second half however, Paul Lewis revived their hopes with a second goal that lifted their morale.

Gully secured the points in the 75th minute when David Smallman blasted the ball in the net for the third time and with Brisbane City having conceded defeat, Paul Lewis produced the final scoreline with his second goal for the day.



Greedy guarding his cage! St George's Soccerroo goalkeeper Terry Greedy was in outstanding form in yesterday's match against Apia Leichhardt at St George Stadium, and was ASW's man of the match.

ALL WERE SAINTS AND NO SINNERS!

ALL that is good in the club soccer scene in Australia was displayed without shame and in magnificent fashion when St George and Apia met at St George Stadium yesterday.

The players of both teams and coaches Frank Arok of Saints and Fil Bottalico of Apia put on a show of team and self-discipline that was an example to one and all in these troubled days of the code.

BY TOM ANDERSON

Although the action came thick and fast and players competed at the highest level for every ball, it was done in a manner befitting this great game.

As an ex-Saints player and former Apia coach it did my heart proud to watch these two great clubs rise to the occasion.

When the chips are down, class always comes out on top and Saints and Apia are all class and certainly did themselves proud.

The pressure was on both teams from the

start with Saints going for a place in the top five and Apia trying to escape from relegation worries.

The first half produced a glut of good football and honours were even - both teams had chances to score.

The deadlock was broken in the 62nd minute when Saints guest Trevor Morgan, playing his last home game for Saints rattled one home from 30 metres.

Four minutes later Morgan set one up for Roy Cotton to score from close-in.

This spelt the end of a gallant fight by Apia and the valuable points were well and truly in Saints locker.

On this performance Saints certainly deserve a place in the top five although they will miss big Trevor Morgan when he re-

turns to England on Sunday and youngsters Andy Koczka and Peter Petkovski when they jet out to Russia for the World Youth Championship.

However on their day Arok's young Saints can compete with any team.

On this performance Apia are definitely not relegation material.

They played a high calibre of football and once Arno Bertogna and Terry Butler are back in action the points will come.

MAN OF THE MATCH: Saints goalkeeper TERRY GREEDY who showed why he is the best goalkeeper in Australia with three magnificent last ditch saves. Greedy's reflexes were absolutely magnificent.

ST GEORGE: Greedy; Skeen, Ratcliffe, M.O'Shea, Koczka; J.O'Shea, Bozanic, Ricoy; Slater, Morgan, Petkovski (Cotton 58).

APIA: Catlin; Sterray, Mariani, Rowden, Brown; Steven, McCulloch, Hamilton; Colaguri (Caban 75), McBride, Murasili.

REFEREE: Gary Power. **CROWD:** 2214.

LIONS ARE A THREAT

BRISBANE LIONS underlined they are still a Semi Final threat when they totally dominated Adelaide City at Richlands.

Lions won 3-0, but could easily have added several more.

The Brisbane side which was eliminated from last year's finals on penalties only, were always in control and completely out-classed the Adelaide side, which until this defeat also considered itself a top five chance.

Although it took Lions more than 22 minutes to open the scoring, they were in control from the outset.

Unlucky attempts from Russell Stewart and John Ogden signalled that the home side was not in a charitable mood.

It was speedy Clark Anderson who put Lions' first goal on the board when he raced on to a fine pass from John Stewart, playing a central striker role rather than in mid-field, and slotted it in

the goal off the upright.

Adelaide City looked to be struggling in the steamy Queensland heat and Lions put away another in the 46th minute. Danny Wright, who again is back to his best, played a nice through ball for John Stewart to fire a low unstoppable shot past Willie McNally.

Three minutes later Lions put the result beyond doubt when Ogden put away a third, but it was John Stewart and Wright who figured prominently again.

Stewart started the move with an intelligent ball from deep in Lions half and Wright showed all his old confidence to take on and beat three players before crossing low and hard to the near post where Ogden neatly tucked away.

BY GREG RUSSELL

Lions lost the flu-affected Anderson at the break and it took a lot of sting out of their attack. But with Russell Stewart completely dominating the centre of the park they were never in danger of losing.

The closest visitors came to scoring was in the final minute when Charlie Villani had an open goal but a lightning reaction from Lions keeper Wayne smothered the shot.

Man of the match: Russell Stewart whose midfield workrate,

distribution and vision gave Lions a total dominance throughout the match.

BRISBANE LIONS: Evans, D. Hunter (Vasquez 65) Jackson, A. Hunter, Niven, Basingthwaite, R. Stewart, Ogden, Wright, J. Stewart, Anderson, (P. Redmond half time).

ADELAIDE CITY: McNally, Santrac (Loungo 57) Tobin, Nyskohus, Flounders, Melta, Northcote, Villani, Mullen, Maxwell, Vidmar.

REFEREE: Terry Seacy.

CROWD: 414.



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THE DAY IT RAINED YELLOW... NOT GOALS!

MARCONI STADIUM played host to a rugged encounter between title-aspirants, Marconi and Sydney City that ended in a hard-fought scoreless draw.

The match was 'highlighted' by the sending-off of Soccerro centre-back Steve O'Connor following two tackles - both warranting a yellow-card.

After the match referee Don Campbell explained the reasons for O'Connor's expulsion: "His first caution was for a tackle from behind and the sending off for a foul which was a second cautioning offence."

In total seven cautions were handed out - five to Sydney City (O'Connor, Pezzano, Kosmina, Watson and Cant) and two to Marconi (Tredinnick and Sterrey).

Pezzano was the first to earn the wrath of the South Australian whistle-blower when Peter Sharne charged onto a through ball from David Lowe and was denied by handball outside the area from the City goalkeeper.

The match dwindled into a scrappy affair and neither side was able to assert author-

ity as the ball became entrenched in mid-field skirmishes.

It took 31 minutes before the first real goalscoring opportunity arose, when big Steven Calderan headed over the bar from a Peter Tredinnick free-kick.

BY FRANK COLETTA

Then came a five minute spell where Marconi should have had at the very least a one-goal lead.

Peter Sharne on both occasions was the errant culprit, both times blasting the ball over the crossbar.

Tony Pezzano quickly asserted that last week's traumas had no lasting ill-effects when he made a brilliant reflex save from a powerful Rod Brown shot one minute from the half-time break.

The second half proved a drawn-out affair and only when O'Connor was given

his marching orders did it come to any semblance of life.

Sydney City had just the one opportunity in the second half when an incisive run by little Joe Watson nearly reaped dividends for the Slickers but his cross-cum-shot screwed across the goalmouth.

Les Scheinflug, Marconi's coach, claimed later that it was a pretty fair result, "It was even, but then again I wasn't expecting it to be easy. We were a little unlucky admittedly with those chances to Lowe and Sharney but we let it slip."

"I wasn't surprised with the tactics they employed, they tried to stop us at all stops yet rest assured this championship will go through down to the 'last bounce of the ball'."

Terry Smith the caretaker-coach was a little unabashed with all the attention his side received during the match.

"I don't know but it seems we have been tagged following last week's occurrences,



REALLY USED HIS CARDS YESTERDAY

all in all, we were satisfied with the point."

MAN OF THE MATCH: With the sterling job he did in blotting out City's marksman John Kosmina,

STEVE CALDERAN is the one to earn the plaudits for his fine defensive work.

MARCONI: McPherson, Carter, Rizzotto, Henderson, Calderan, Sterrey, Sharne (Jankovics 75).



PETER SHARNE

Lowe, Brown, Gray. SYDNEY CITY: Pezzano, Rodrigues, Robertson, O'Connor, Cant, Key (Farina 70), Watson, Barnes, Lee, Kosmina, P. Falconer.

CROWD: 1956 REFEREE: Don Campbell

DOOMED TEAM SCORES FIVE

BY TOM McKAIN

IT may be too late, but Footscray flew its flag high with a magnificent performance in Adelaide to beat West 5-1.

While the result may not save the Victorians from relegation, similar results in the remaining rounds may be good enough to have them accepted again in the NSL Southern Division if a State League side refuses promotion.

Vlatko Belic started what was to prove a rout in the 11th minute when he met a free kick from Zdravko Kodjo with his head. But his joy was cut short two minutes later when West's Gary Price headed home from a Bill Stefanopoulos cross and the home crowd went wild, looking for big things after the 0-0 draw at Brisbane City the previous week.



VLATKO BELIC

But it was not to be. Home defender Brenton Hiern lost the ball to Zdravko Lujic who swerved round the onrushing goalkeeper Martyn Crook to take the ball along the by-line then slipped it over the goal line in the 25th minute.

There was more agony for West in the 44th minute when Lujic struck again with a shot which took a deflection to beat Crook.

Into the second half and it was Belic who scored in the 72nd minute from a great pass from defender Tom Karic.

The ball went over the substitute Bill Lazopoulos who hit the bar with his header, watched the ball bounce down and hit the ground to bound high enough for Carroll to head it home.

The only excuse West could offer was the absence of captain and sweeper Graham Honeyman who was out suspended.

Minus his experience, the back four lost, and perhaps coach Neil McGachey should not have fielded Crook, who had not trained all week because of a flu virus and certainly looked out of touch with two of the early goals.

But it was Footscray's day. They gave it all they had and did not look like a relegation side.

OLYMPIC FANS ON BEST BEHAVIOUR

JUST one week after the disgraceful scenes at the Sydney Olympic v Sydney City match, Olympic were forced to play their match against Inter Monaro way out in the south west suburbs at the Croatian Sports Centre.

Whether or not the long journey blunted the fighting spirit of the Olympic fans, they were on their best behaviour as they watched their favourite team draw 1-1.

The only real signs of dissent were the boos which greeted the sending-off of Alex Lampropoulos and the various signs around the ground which were far from complimentary to the rulers of Australian soccer.

These carried messages such as "ASF KILLS SOCCER" and "WE WILL BOYCOTT THE INTERNATIONAL GAMES."

BY JAMES DOUGLAS

After what happened at Pratten Park, it might be no loss to the code if the unruly element among Olympic fans did stay away from international matches... and all matches.

Olympic were leading 1-0 when they lost Lampropoulos 10 minutes from the end and Monaro, who have now stretched their unbeaten run to nine matches, cashed in facing only 10 men by equalising.

New player Simon Ogun, born in England of Nigerian descent, but more recently playing in Hong Kong, was Olympic's goalscorer.

Chris Kalantzis gave Ogun the ball

before he scored.

Former Marconi player Rick Budini laid on the equaliser with a long free kick to Angelo Titilas, who gave the Queanbeyan team their precious draw.

Both goals arrived in the latter stages of the game - Ogun putting Olympic ahead in 78 minutes and Titilas scoring seven minutes later.

Olympic still hold on to fourth spot on the table but, after dropping three out of their last four points, they cannot be looking ahead to top five matches with great optimism.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meir, Rodgers, Stankovic, Jennings, Haniotis, Ziras, Johnston, Ogun, Raskopoulos, Polias (Lampropoulos 82), Kalantzis.

INTER MONARO: Hocking, Williams, Tuliawa, Budini, Titilas, Ambrosino, Carbone, Willox, Walsh, Giampaolo, Thamnidis.

REFEREE: R. Davies. CROWD: 2,100.

CROATIA WIN BUT NO LUCK FOR PENRITH

BY JIM JONES

SYDNEY CROATIA held on to their top spot on the northern division table with a 1-0 win at Cook Park but beaten Penrith City had cause to complain about the result.

Twice Penrith had the ball in Croatia's net but on each occasion the claims for a goal were disallowed.

Peter Jones had his goal wiped off for offside and Ian Hunter was similarly refused a goal after an alleged foul on goalkeeper Steve Watson.

Penrith manager Wille Wallace was convinced both goals should have been awarded but it was not to be.

To really fill Wallace's cup of woe, the only goal of the match, scored for Croatia by Zjelko Jurin, was gift from Penrith.

Jurin's goal arrived with the match only 10 minutes old.

It was enough to allow the winners to stay one point clear of Marconi and two ahead of Sydney City.

Graham Arnold, surprisingly rejected by national coach Frank Arok for Soccerro duty, almost gave Croatia a 2-0 win with a great shot in the first half but Mike Gibson in the Penrith goal made a super save to keep Arnold's name off the score sheet.

Vedran Rozic, Croatia's player-coach, seemed to realise his team barely deserved the victory but he blamed the poor state of the ground for many of the problems which afflicted both teams.



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IT HAS HAPPENED HERE!

TO all those absent-minded Australian soccer enthusiasts who needed proof that the type of massochism that

occurred in Brussels could happen here, only one thing needs to be said - PRATTEN PARK.

Not long ago, ASW received a damning letter from a prominent ASF official attacking an editorial by a former editor that seemed to claim that 'Brussels' could eventuate here.

It was written and I quote: "All fair-minded observers would have been disgusted if not totally sickened by the recent successful attempts by some sections to paint Australian soccer patrons as potential violent hooligans in concert with recent outrages in Brussels."

EDITORIAL

All fair-minded observers would have been disgusted at the display put on by those hooligans at Pratten Park.

It was far too close to being on the same scale as the Brussels tragedy... some may whine at the small

crowds but maybe a few should now thank their lucky stars there were only 3,000 at the match.

What if there had been 40,000 at Pratten Park? The mind boggles at what could have happened.

So the 'disease' seems to have arrived but with a purposeful

'vaccination' by the ASF it may well be quelled quickly and harshly.

Credit where it is due - well done to the ASF on its swift mopping up of the situation.

Hopefully now the naive who claimed blindly 'it can't happen here' can see that it has. For our sake

however from now on 'It won't happen here...again.' Without doubt this year's NSL competition is going to prove one of the closest on record with many clubs vying for honours.

Fans will get a little 'aggro' in the intense heat but hopefully not to the ridiculous extent of last Sunday.



CHIT CHAT

ILYA TAKAC, just recently left hospital following his kidney operation and is ready, willing and able to take up coaching once more.

Ilya coached very successfully with Rockdale Ilinden recently and in fact was with Rockdale up until a few weeks back when he resigned because of his poor health.

Welcome back from all at ASW Ilya and good luck in your future frolics with coaching.

THE heart has been ripped out of the heart of West Adelaide's defence.

Tearaway striker **GEORGE KONSTANDOPOULOS**, after two weeks of trying to get back on the park, has had to concede he needs an ankle-heel operation and will miss the rest of the season.

West will miss his powerful running and muscle up front.

ENGLEFIELD STADIUM, which used to be one of Sydney's better venues for matches and coaching academies, has definitely been lost to soccer for all time.

BILL ENGLEFIELD, owner of the ground, says he has leased it to the Grundy TV organisation until September, after which there is a renewal option which seems sure to be taken up.

Grundy's use the stadium for the TV show "IT'S A KNOCKOUT," and pay good money for its use.

"I spent years trying to get soccer administrators interested in the stadium and in the end decided I was bashing my head against a brick wall," said Bill.

So a ground which could have become a permanent home for representative team training - complete with motel accommodation, swim pool, dining room etc. - is now lost to the code.

Don't blame **BILL ENGLEFIELD** for that.



GREG WOODHOUSE

CHRIS KALANTZIS has an unusual hobby, when he can spare time from soccer to indulge in a hobby.

Chris says he "loves messing about with fast cars."

He's quite an expert, too. He has a red Cortina Ghia parked on his front lawn and he has worked so hard on it, that car is obviously Chris's pride and joy.

THE ASF must be congratulated on their actions this week in dealing with those blasted hooligans from Pratten Park.

But the same can't be said for the boys in blue that day... one arrest, it was the biggest joke going around on Sunday night.

What was it for? Going through a red light?

CAMPERDOWN TRAVELODGE in Sydney claims to be Australia's number one hotel for sportsmen and sports teams. We wouldn't dispute the claim.

Next week, the Australian Soccer Federation will stage a farewell function for the Australian Under 16 team bound for China.

Where is the get-together? Camperdown Travelodge of course.

ONE scribe was having trouble completing his match report last week and asked around his fellow journo whether or not there was a Man of the Match in the Olympic-City match.

"Give it to police constable number 98" urged one of them.

Not many good things came out of last Sunday's awful riot at Pratten Park except maybe the quick wits of some soccer experts.

One of them was speaking on the shambles and was heard to claim: "I thought I saw some Liverpool scouts out there!"

Get it?

JOHNNY WARREN, that doyen of soccer everythings, tells us he has a new dog.

Its name - **ZICO**. John insists it is because of his liking for the silken skills of the Brazilian star but ASW knows for a fact it is because he noticed the canine is **LEFT FOOTED!!!**



NEIL MCGACHEY is planning to reinforce West Adelaide's squad - for next season.

The coach will visit Scotland and England at the end of the season, and has the club's blessing to look for at least two players.

"All being well, I will have a squad sewn up by November, not chasing around in January-February," said McGachey.



THERE was confusion aplenty at the recent Adelaide City - Melbourne Juventus match.

When the Victorians hit the front there were chants of "Juve, Juve" from the 50-odd supporters who had travelled with them to SA.

Then when City levelled, and hit the front, up went the chants of "Juve, Juve" again.

City's full title is Adelaide City Juventus!

WORLD is that former West Adelaide all-rounder **IAN MCGREGOR**, now playing in the SA Northern Areas league for Virtus, is getting more cash than he did when he was with West.

Transferred to Port Augusta in his public service job, the little Scot is a firm favorite with his new club, which has never been short of a dollar.



SOME of the louts who invaded the pitch at Pratten Park are well known trouble-makers with a track record to match.

JOHNNY THOMSON, who used to be Sydney Olympic team manager when **TOMMY DOCHERTY** was at the club, said: "They even turned up at training sessions to cause trouble. The Doc tried to keep them out but, as Pratten Park is public property, that was impossible."

By the way, **JOHNNY THOMSON** has been approached to rejoin Olympic. He was always an asset to the club when he was there.

THE battle of the international goalkeepers is on again at Sydney Croatia.

Late last season, Socceroo **GREG WOODHOUSE** displaced Socceroo **STEVE WATSON** and played so well, he became an automatic choice.

Last week, Woodhouse was injured so Watson made a comeback.

And he didn't put a foot wrong, so he retained the job yesterday.

Now it seems 'Woody' has to fight his way back all over again.



ALEX PONGRASS, president of St George, has always been among the great innovators and forward-thinkers of Australian soccer.

This was demonstrated again last week as Sydney Olympic searched for a new home ground with protection for players and referees from thug spectators.

St George Stadium, where crowd misbehaviour is a rarity, was equipped with protective wire fencing at Pongrass's instigation many months ago.

The disbelievers called it a gimmick and a waste of money.

Some gimmick! How long will it be before every NSL club has to fall in line and follow the lead set by St George?

WOLLONGONG youth international **ALEX BUNDALO** has been in top form recently but coach **ADRIAN ALSTON** has revealed he almost dropped him after the game against Monaro.

Alston said Bundalo was under tremendous pressure for a player so young and his main problem seemed to be contracts for 1986.

"He was being pestered by Sydney clubs wanting to sign him next season and this coupled with the approaching World Youth Cup finals was starting to get to him," Alston said.

"We had a talk and I mentioned the prospect of resting him from my team but he wouldn't hear of it."

"He said he would forget about next season and concentrate on helping Wollongong avoid relegation and his form can't be faulted since."

Incidentally, the club with the inside running to get Bundalo does decide to move isn't that far up the Prince's Highway from Wollongong.



WATCH for the name **PAUL GEMMELL** in West Adelaide's line-up.

A Kiwi, the 22-year-old midfielder has been training with West.

A former teammate of New Zealand internationals Ian Boath and Steve Sumner, who both played for West, he has been very impressive.



TOMMY DOCHERTY AND JOHNNY THOMSON, the old team at Sydney Olympic.

IT IS UP TO THE KIDS NOW

BY TOM ANDERSON

NEVER in the history of the game of soccer in this country has so much rested on the broad shoulders of our kids to bring back some credibility to the code!

After the tragic events of last week, it is the youngsters of our game who can do more than anyone else to restore some sanity back into the code in the eyes of the general public.

It would be true to say that never in the history of the game of soccer in this country has the future of so many, rested on the young shoulders of so few.

Indeed this tragic situation has now put tremendous responsibility on the young under-16 team off to the world championships in the Peoples Republic of China on July 25 and the Young Socceroos off to the World Youth Championships for the FIFA/Coca-Cola Cup in Russia next month.

But it is a responsibility that can be carried and our kids can win the day for the game of soccer in this country.

By their play and actions in the championships they will do more good in a period of 90 minutes, than any long winded official could hope to achieve even if he ran off at the mouth for 12 months!

The record book shows only too clearly that in the past, the performances of our Young Socceroos have captured the imagination of the Australian public at large.

Our youngsters' great deeds in the finals here in 1981, gave soccer in this country a lift beyond all expectations.

Then the amazing manner in which Les Scheinflug's Young Socceroos won qualification through to the 1983 finals in Mexico again boosted the stocks of the code.

Their win in the final elimination round in Costa Rica will stand as one of the greatest feats ever in Australian sport.



AUSTRALIAN players celebrate as Chris Kalantzis (on the ground) heads in the first goal against Israel during the vital Oceania qualifying match at St George Stadium. The Young Socceroos won the match to qualify for the WYC finals in Russia.

This was topped by excellent displays in the finals.

Now the onus is on Jim Shoulder and his boys in Russia next month to set the game in this country back on the rails.

And, I am confident Jim and his lads will rise to the occasion and triumph in typical Australian fashion.

In brilliant young players such as Chris Kalantzis, Alex Bundalo, Andy Koczka, Peter Petkovski, we have excellent ambassadors for the game.

And in team captain Robert Hooker we have a good man this country can be proud of.

The same can be said for Vic Dalglish and his youngsters when they go off on the high road to China.

Sure it will be hard for these young 16 year-olds but they're true blue and will give their lot to the end.

They've been schooled in the correct manner they know what is required.

When it comes to soccer at grass roots level, the game in this country is healthy. Our kids are as good as those anywhere in the world.

They have proved this time and time again both at home and overseas.

It's at senior level where soccer seems to have all the problems.

Problems, most of which are of its own making.

So once again, it will be left to the kids to get the code out of trouble and back on the rails.

I am sure they will not let us down and that the wishes and hopes of every soccer lover in this country will be with them as they do battle on foreign soil.

Good luck lads, everyone is counting on you.



BY **MIKE JOHNSON**

KEEP VIOLENT PLAY OUT OF OUR GAME

NOTHING in soccer seems important to me now other than the great tragedy at Pratten Park.

Having watched on television the riot at Pratten Park, and photographs of the tragic event in the newspapers, it makes me despair for sport and for our society generally.

The brutal, jungle-like scenes witnessed at Pratten Park are a reflection of our violent society.

Nevertheless this should not stop those involved in the Pratten Park affair from looking at their contribution to the riot.

Let us look at some of those involved:

Sydney City: by general consent within the game, Sydney City is an aggressive team.

The disciplinary re-

cord of the individual members is probably the worst in the league.

Some condone their poor record by saying it is their aggression and will to win which has won the team so much success in recent years.

This thinking is deluded.

Parramatta, under Jack Gibson, had an outstanding disciplinary record during the period it won their Rugby League premiership in a row.

This team proved that controlled competitiveness is far superior to unrestrained aggression.

Gerry Gomez: the general consensus is that he is the most

aggressive of all the Sydney City players.

Marshall Soper: Marshall has constantly been in strife with opponents, officials and coaches since he emerged as a top player in Sydney.

Soper and Gomez need to be dealt with.

Given the climate of violence which now pervades our society, it is obviously going to be hard to keep violent play off our soccer fields.

Nevertheless, Rugby League, which by nature is a much more aggressive sport than soccer, has reduced violence among players to a remarkable degree.

This has happened through harsh punishment for violent play



THE two players who triggered the riot ... Marshall Soper (left) and Gerry Gomez.

and the example of successful coaches like Jack Gibson.

The Rugby league referee, whilst often pilloried in the press, is nevertheless supported by the league disciplinary board.

Despite the key role of the referee, the responsibility for foul play lies with players and coaches.

I have never yet seen a referee kick anybody.

I remember telling

Steve Blackburn, now at Rockdale, that I was amazed how he allowed Marshall to push him around as he did in an early season Ampol Cup game.

Ken Small: the prime job of a soccer referee is to protect the players. Next important is to administer the rules.

If referees seem incapable of protecting players, given today's mentality, the players very quickly resort to administer his own

punishment on Gomez, with an equally savage tackle, for which he was sent off.

Olympic supporters: the Greek supporter in Australia has the worst record for rioting among any of the soccer groups.

Given all of these ingredients there was always a chance of trouble, especially with Olympic, following a frustrating season with injuries, at last clambering into the top four.

But these cannot excuse the barbaric affair and something needs to be done.

The recurring violence of soccer thugs in England was punished, so much those of Olympic.

Referees must be judged more harshly on their capacity to detect and punish foul play.

It would appear that a horrific tackle on Soper by Gomez went unpunished, so Soper then sought to

STAR PROFILE

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

BORN AND BIRTHPLACE:

12.5.60, Newcastle.

HEIGHT: 6 foot.

MARRIED: Yes to Rita and have a son Justin that's 8 weeks old.

OCCUPATION: Full-time player.

PLAYING POSITION: Central or flank striker.

CLUBS PLAYED FOR: Stewart Lloyds, Apia, Sydney Olympic.

FAVOURITE PLAYERS: David Ratcliffe, Karl-Heinz Rummenigge.

FAVOURITE CLUBS: Sydney Olympic and Apia.

CAR: Sigma G.L.

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT IN SOCCER: Being heavily fined by the NSL last week.

BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: Mike Trebilcock and my Father-in-Law.

FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS OR HOBBIES: Cricket, indoor-cricket and dog-racing.

FAVOURITE FILM STARS: Burt Reynolds and Goldie Hawn.

LONG TERM AMBITIONS: To retire from Soccer in one piece.

SUPERSTITIONS: None at all.

FAVOURITE MUSIC: The Beatles.

MAJOR INJURIES: None really.

BEST TEAM IN RECENT INTERNATIONAL SERIES: Australia and Udinese.

BEST PLAYER FOR AUSTRALIA IN SERIES: Oscar Crino was the pick of a very good bunch.

NATIONAL TEAM TO WORRY AUSTRALIA QUALIFYING FOR 1986 WORLD CUP: Not too many worries till we meet the European side we have to play.

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SOCCEROOS NEED OUR SUPPORT IN WORLD CUP

IT REALLY is about time WE ALL got behind our current Soccerroo team.

By WE, I specifically mean everyone in soccer from the players themselves through to the supporters in general and the many of us who are fortunate enough to earn a living from the game in particular.

In the wake of Brussels and now, closer to home, Pratten Park, it has never been so crucial for soccer people in this country to stick together and, to coin the famous President Kennedy phrase "ask not what soccer (your country) can do for you, but what you can do for soccer (your country)."

The most effective way for Australian soccer to restore the game's standing in this country is through success on the field — ideally through our senior Soccerroo team and to a lesser extent through our Young Soccerroos and under 16 World Cup team.

Whilst we all realise this, it is disturbing to read and hear the number of people who really hope the Soccerroos don't succeed.

Even more disturbing is that most of these people owe everything they have to the game in this country.

Yet once out of it they take every opportunity to kick the game, the same game which gave them everything, in the teeth.

The Soccerroos chances of success can be substantially enhanced should they receive far better support than they are getting at the moment.

Whilst we can all have differing opinions about who should coach, manage and play in the Soccerroo team, the facts are that our current Soccerroo team has performed at a far higher and consistent level than any previous team.

And with due respect to all previous Soccerroo teams John Kosmina's team mates have a far greater task in qualifying for the World Cup finals than previously.

So instead of criticising we should support.

We should contribute to the game instead of complaining about its ills. If there is one thing that really annoys me about soccer people it is that most complain, few get off their backsides and assist the game they all profess to love.

In the bad old days Soccerroo players hated playing in Australia. They much preferred away games where they knew the whole crowd was against them and you couldn't understand what they were saying or writing anyhow.

At home there was little support and the



AUSTRALIAN captain John Kosmina and his team mates need our support. Here, Kossie shakes off Apla defender Arno Bertogna during a club match

Soccerroos had to put up with incidents like in Sydney and Adelaide when they were beaten by Israel and Japan respectively when "Australian" supporters chaired off the Soccerroos victorious opponents.

The current Soccerroos are going to need every right bounce of the ball, every bit of luck which comes their way if they are to get through the Oceania group, let alone the European deciding leg.

The least all of us in soccer can do is support their efforts in

every conceivable way instead of degrading their already considerable achievements.

The forthcoming Soccerroo programme where supporters can start to get behind John Kosmina and his team is:

July 28 — August 11 International Tournament against PSV Eindhoven, AEK Athens, Red Star Belgrade.

September 21 v New Zealand Away — World Cup.

September 24 v China (Hobart)

September 27 v China (Canberra)

players are willing, well motivated and have a good attitude. That is not always the case with young West German boys," said Hausmanns, who is one of only about 400 "football teachers" in West Germany.

"Because football is so important to young Germans, if a player makes the national squad at 16 he is a hero in his village, his club and his home. Unfortunately some of them start to think they are heroes themselves."

"And from what I have seen of the players in contention for

September 29 v China (Brisbane)

October 8 v Israel (Away) World Cup

October 20 v Israel (home) World Cup

October 23 v Chinese Taipei

(Home) World Cup

October 27 v Chinese Taipei

(Home) World Cup

November 3 v New Zealand (Home) World Cup

November 20 Oceania winner away to European opponent

December 4 Oceania winner at home to European opponent

the West German team I have my doubts that they will be able to stand up to the tough competition of a number of days of a world tournament."

Hausmanns, 31, has had to coach for seven years and undertake a six-month long course to obtain his football teacher tag. And he must attend yearly refresher courses to keep it.

He said the final selection trials for the West German Under 16 team had just been held and national coach Horst Koepell had selected about 30 boys.

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THE
JOHNNY
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PAGE



BANK CUP HOTS UP

FOUR past winners — Kogarah, Epping, Normanhurst and Wallsend — are through to the final 16 of this year's Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup.

One of this year's semi finals will be played as the curtain raiser to the Soccerroos v Red Star Belgrade international match at St George Stadium on Sunday, August 4 and the final will be the early match to the Sydney Olympic v Preston NSL Cup Final also at St George Stadium on Friday, August 16.

The final 16 comprises the 16 zone winners throughout NSW and successful schools were: Wallsend (Hunter 2) (Lismore (North Coast)

Epping (North Sydney 1) Riverstone (Metropolitan 1) Whitebridge (Hunter 1) Duval (North West) Normanhurst (North Sydney 2) Canobolas (Western Region) James Cook (Met. East 1) Liverpool (Liverpool) Corrimal (South Coast 1) Warrawong (South Coast 2) Birrong (Liverpool 2) Koorringal (Riverina) Kogarah (Met East 2) Greystanes (Met West 2).

Earlier results in the Commonwealth Bank Soccer cup have been:—

NORTH SYDNEY REGION

Carlingford d Manly 16-0, Asquith d Balgownie 3-0, Pittwater d Kilara 3-1, Hunters Hill d Killarney Heights 3-2, The Forest d Gelsstone 2-1, Cromer d North Ryde 3-0, Drummonds d Chateau 1-0, Pennant Hills d Barrenjoey 5-1, Balmain d Homebush North, Narrabeen d St Ives 9-0, Freshwater d Crows Nest 3-2, Ku-ring-gai d North Lanes 7-2, Umina d Woy Woy 1-0, Epping d Carlingford 2-0, Beacon Hill d Asquith 3-0, Malville d Pittwater 1-0, Ashfield d Hunters Hill 6-0, The Forest d Ryde 4-1, Turramurra d Cromer 2-2 (4-3), Marsden d Drummonds 4-3, Macquarie Boys d Pennant Hills 1-0, Davidson d Balmain 6-1, Concord d North Sydney 6-0, James Ruse d Narrabeen 10-0, Normanhurst d Freshwater 8-0.

SOUTH COAST REGION

Corrimal d Woonona 0-0 (7-8), Kanahooka d Lake Illawarra 1-0, Moruya d Bega 5-0, Bomaderry d Ulladulla 5-0, Karahah d Queanbeyan 2-2 (3-2), Bowral d Crookwell 3-1, Oak Flats d Dapto 2-0, Warrawong d Bulli 2-1, Corrimal d Kanahooka 4-0, Bomaderry d Moruya 3-1, Karahah d Bowral 2-1, Warrawong d Oak Flats 3-2, Warrawong d Karahah 5-0.

METROPOLITAN EAST

Kingsgrove d Heathcote 4-2, Kirrawee d Maroubra Junction 3-0, Narwee d Marrickville 6-0, Kogarah d Maroubra Bay 2-0, Tempe d Matraville 4-1, Strathfield South d Peakhurst Forfeit, Sydney Tech d Randwick Boys 2-1, Sylvania d Wooloware 6-0, Kingsgrove d Kirrawee 5-2, Kogarah d Narwee 2-1, Tempe d Strathfield South 2-1, Sydney Tech d Sylvania 2-2 (5-3), Kogarah d Kingsgrove 2-1, Sydney Tech d Tempe 3-0, Carlingbah d Jannali 3-2, Engadine d Canterbury 1-0, Blakehurst d Kingsgrove 2-0, Newtown d Enmore 1-0, Kingsgrove North d Glades 15-0, Dover Heights d Gymea 2-0, Kingsgrove North d Fort Street 3-1, Fort Street d Dulwich 3-1, James Cook d Cronulla 3-1, Belmont d Randwick North 2-0, Belmont d J J Cahill 3-1, Engadine d Carlingbah 3-0, Blakehurst d Dover Heights 1-0, Kingsgrove North d Fort Street 5-4, James Cook d Belmont 5-0, James Cook d Kingsgrove North 3-0, Gosford d The Entrance 2-0, Ku-ring-gai d Gorokan Forfeit, Umina d Enna 5-1, Henry Kendall d Wyong 4-0, Epping d Beacon Hill 3-0, Malville d Ashfield 2-1, The Forest d Turramurra 5-0, Marsden d Macquarie 3-2, Davidson d Concord 5-4, Normanhurst d James Ruse 2-2 (4-3), Gosford d Ku-ring-gai 3-2, Henry Kendall d Umina 3-2, Marsden d The Forest 1-0, Normanhurst d Davidson 6-3, Henry Kendall d Gosford 2-1.

NORTH COAST REGION

Wingham d Kandall 6-1, Chatham d Port Macquarie 1-0, Taree d Forster 9-8, Westport d Melville 5-1, Kempsey d Wauchope 10-0, Bellingen d Bowraville 1-0, Coffs Harbour d Wooloolga 1-0, Orara d Grafton 7-0, Casino d Kyogle 1-0, Richmond River d Ballina 1-0, Lismore d Murwillumbah 7-0, Tweed River d Mullumbimby 4-3, Wingham d Chatham 4-2, Taree d Westport 2-1, Kempsey d Bellingen 4-0, Toormina d Macksville 5-2, Coffs Harbour d Orara 1-0, Casino d Maclean 5-0, Kadina d Richmond River 5-0, Lismore d Tweed River 5-0, Taree d Wingham 4-2, Kempsey d Toormina 4-0, Coffs Harbour d Casino 2-0, Lismore d Kadina 2-0.

METROPOLITAN WEST

Castle Hill d Holroyd 2-2 (5-4), Plumpton d Parramatta 5-3, Whalan d Cumberland 1-0, Riverstone d Merrylands 1-0, Pendle Hill d St Marys 1-0, Springwood d Windsor 5-1, Rooty Hill d Mount Druitt 1-0, Mount Druitt d Penrith 9-1, Castle Hill d Plumpton 5-2, Riverstone d Whalan 4-0, Springwood d Pendle Hill 2-0, Mount Druitt d Rooty Hill 4-2, Riverstone d Castle Hill 3-1, Mount Druitt d Springwood 3-2, Granville Boys d Baulkham Hills 3-1, Blouif d Crestwood 5-0, Dunheved d Girraween 2-1, Doonside d Granville South 4-1, Northmead d Doonside 6-0, Greystanes d Blacktown 4-3, Model Farms d Nepean 2-1, Mitchell d Colo 5-0, Cambridge Park d Blacktown 2-0, Granville d Biddell 4-0, Northmead d Dunheved 3-0, Greystanes d Model Farms 5-0, Cambridge Park d Mitchell 3-0, Greystanes d Cambridge Park 3-1.

RIVERINA REGION

Albury d Murray 2-0, Albury North d Billabong 5-0, Albury North d Albury 1-0, Barham d Deniliquin 1-0, Koorringal d Mount Austin 2-1, Griffith d Wade 5-3, Cootamundra d Temora 4-1, Albury North d Barham 9-0, Koorringal d Wagga 1-0, Griffith d Leeton 4-0, Cootamundra d Gundagai 8-2, Koorringal d Albury North 1-0, Griffith d Cootamundra 8-0.

HUNTER REGION

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WESTERN REGION

Delroy d Warren 4-2, Narromine d Gilgandra Forfeit, Gulgong d Bourke Forfeit, Dubbo South d Dubbo 2-0, Bathurst d Kandos Forfeit, Canowindra d Condobolin Forfeit, Wellington d Nyngan 3-0, Lithgow d Oberon 8-0, Delroy d Narromine 2-1, Dubbo South d Gulgong 5-1, Bathurst d Canowindra 5-0, Canobolas d Orange 7-0, Mudgee d Forbes 10-0, Wellington d Molong 2-0, Kelso d Parkes 3-0, Lithgow d Blayney 1-1 (4-0), Dubbo South d Delroy 8-1, Canobolas d Bathurst 2-1, Wellington d Mudgee 4-0, Kelso d Lithgow 3-1, Canobolas d Dubbo South 5-0, Wellington d Kelso 3-2, Canobolas d Wellington 3-0.

*Penalty shoot-out

GERMANS — NOT SO TOUGH

BY GREG RUSSELL

WEST GERMANY may not be as tough opponents as first thought for the Australian Under 16 team at the World Championships in China later this year.

That's the opinion of leading West German coach Uwe Hausmanns who is presently on a tour of Queensland.

Hausmanns, who

conducted coaching clinics throughout the State and attended the Queensland Under 14 Championships in Townsville, said Australian youngsters

appeared more capable of handling a tough world tournament at under 16 level than their German counterparts.

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QUEENSLAND VIEW



RON Millman ... in Carson's Ipswich team

BAYSIDE BOYS BOUNCE BACK

BY GREG RUSSELL

BAYSIDE Wynnum, relegated out of the premier league last year, look set to bounce back at their first try — and it will be largely thanks to brilliant youngster Billy McDermott.

McDermott is the son of former Rugby League test great Claude McDermott and a natural sportsman. And he was the hero of Wynnum last week when he scored all four goals in the Wolves promotion securing 4-0 win over

second place Rochdale.

The victory gave Wynnum a six point lead at the top of the intermediate league table, and although eight games still remain it is hard to see anyone catching the pacesetters.

'NO LUCK'

FATE went against the Queensland Soccer Federation management committee's hopes when the Ampol Cup semi-final draw was made last week.

In Bundaberg and Croatian-supported Sunnyside, the federation had two big crowd pullers among their semi-finalists. The management committee had quietly hoped that the pair would miss each other in the draw and be matched against premier league clubs Ipswich and cup holders North Star.

But it was not to be. Sunnyside drew Bundaberg and North Star drew Ipswich in the televised random draw from the cup.

The management committee, which no doubt favored a Bundaberg home tie and Sunnyside at Perry Park, has now scheduled a doubleheader at soccer headquarters on Sunday, July 21.

If Sunnyside reach the final it will be the biggest day in the club's history. Always

well supported, success has been spare for the Croatian club, and it will be a happy end of the season for former Brisbane City coach Tony Lowndes, who took over the intermediate league side after being sacked at the National League club.

Bundaberg loom as sentiment favorites because of their country status and have been drilled well by coach Jim Selby, taking prized scalps Lions and Coalstars on the way to the semis.

Ipswich supporters are even talking about their side winning the soccer grand slam — the cup, premiership and championship.

Ipswich are presently third on the table, second on points, and have a reputation for finishing the season strongly.

The loss was a bitter blow for the Col Bennett coached Rochdale, who have spent heavily in recent seasons attempting to win promotion to the State's top competition.

The clash between the two sides was a real grudge match as Rochdale actually beat Wynnum in the first round, but had the points taken away and a 0-3 scoreline inflicted after they unwittingly played an unregistered player.

While Wynnum's win virtually decided the intermediate league promotion issue, the same night the premier league relegation issue became more clouded.

Competition cellar dwellers Acacia Ridge and Olympic clashed at Proud Field and an Olympic loss would have seen them drop four points adrift at the bottom.

But under new coach Grahame McMillan, the former international, Olympic gave an inspired performance against a pedestrian looking Ridge and won the match 2-0 and overtook the Ridge on goal difference.

It will now be a long, tough struggle to the end of the season and it could well be the side that picks up the odd point that will survive.

Although Lions have a comfortable lead at the top of the table the rest of the teams are tightly packed in the fight for semi-final places.

WEST ADELAIDE coach Neil McGachey believes there is no value in Queensland's two National League sides pushing for inclusion in the Sydney-based Northern Division.

And McGachey has urged Brisbane City and Lions to stay in the Southern Division, which he says is a better footballing league.

"If the Brisbane sides want to go into the Sydney section that's their own decision, their own politics. But looking at the two divisions, we are definitely in the better one," McGachey said during a recent visit to Brisbane's Spencer Park.

"From what I see on television, there is very limited value in Sydney at the moment."

Lions and City have been pushing for a move into the Northern Division for several months but have hit dead-ends on every avenue they take. Even the NSL executive, which a year ago virtually promised a switch, has all but conceded it's not on in 1986.

According to McGachey, who unlike many Southern coaches enjoys coming to Brisbane, the Southern Division is a better competition largely because it has

a "proper national feeling".

But he agrees the present two division format is not the

answer and believes a reassessment is needed and a return to one competition the only answer.

THE GOOD AND BAD

WHILE Brisbane Lions officials were ecstatic over the selection of their midfielder Richard Bassingthwaite in the Young Socceroos squad to go to Russia next month, it could cause problems for the side.

"Bass" has been Lions most consistent scorer in recent weeks, netting three goals in four games, and will be a difficult player to replace.

Lions still have semi-final aspirations, but to lose the talented Bassingthwaite could put paid to those hopes.

Bass has been in brilliant form since he won a permanent place in the Lions NSL team following Queensland's tour of

have been scorching drives from more than 25m.

"Richard is certainly playing well and his absence is something we will just have to come to grips with. It's an opportunity of a lifetime for him and the club certainly wishes him well," Lions coach Gordon Arrowsmith said.

Bassingthwaite's selection in the 18-man squad comes after a major battle against fitness which

LIONS TO GO BUSH

THE Brisbane Lions National League team is about to head into the Queensland bush.

Lions are negotiating with the Rockhampton Soccer Federation to play an exhibition match in the central Queensland City next month. And the game could help keep Lions on target for a top five place in the Southern Division.

The weekend was to be free for Lions because of the international tournament in Southern cities, something about which coach Gordon Arrowsmith was not keen.

"This game will be a good break but also keep us match fit," Arrowsmith said.

It will be the second time this season a Queensland NSL side has played outside of Brisbane. Brisbane City staged a successful NSL promotion on the Golf Coast a month ago.

Lions will use the Rockhampton match to promote their new sponsor, Foster's Lager. The sponsorship, with Carlton and United Breweries is in direct conflict with the Castlemaine sponsorship of the Queensland Soccer Federation club offside with Perry Park officials.

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SBS CONTINUES WITH NSL

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

THE SBS Network will continue with televised matches of the Olympic Airways National Soccer League, despite recent reported rumours that it is about to withdraw its coverage following spectator violence at the Sydney Olympic vs Sydney City match at Pratten Park.

SBS, although concerned about the crowd violence, is regarding the matter as an isolated case.

SBS has televised the League matches since transmission commenced back in 1981.

"We appreciate the difficulties that most clubs have to overcome as far as facilities to enable telecasts to be made by us", SBS-TV Executive Producer of Soccer, Mr Ian Hamilton said.

"We have been involved in discussions with the NSL to facilitate better television coverage.

"The clubs will continue to improve their ground standards and the incident at Pratten Park is now expected to lead to an all-round improvement in ground facilities for NSL teams".

SBS-TV recognises and supports Soccer

as a national as well as an international code and has no plans to withdraw its extensive coverage of the game.

The Network at this stage, has made no decision concerning future telecasts from Sydney Olympic's home ground, Pratten Park.

SBS Covers Russia

SBS-TV, has secured exclusive Australian television rights to the 1985 World Youth Championships in the Soviet Union, which will feature Australia's Young Socceroos.

These Championships staged every two years since 1977, feature 16 Youth teams from around the world who have reached the finals following a series of qualifying rounds. Australia a qualifier for

the past two World Championships, is highly fancied to reach at least the quarter-finals.

SBS will cover Australia's matches along with other major fixtures.

"Our coverage of the 1983 Finals in Mexico, was an outstanding success for the Network and Australian Soccer in general", soccer commentator Les Murray stated.

"We earned great credibility as a station through the telecasts and aim to make this year's finals coverage, bigger and even better than previously", Murray concluded.

In 1983, despite enormous contractual problems that arose with the Mexican authorities, SBS at the very last moment were able to secure telecasting rights.

But when telecasting was about to be-

gin beaming out of Mexico, the Network realised Mexico would bring audio problems well beyond its control.

In most professional manner, SBS rushed commentator, Mike Hill, to the studio and with great expertise, Hill called the match off the studio monitors going into the match "cold" and thousands of miles away.

The final presentation was magnificent.

This year's Youth Championships begin in the Soviet Union on August 24th with Australia clashing first up with host nation, Russia, in Minsk.

Australia's other opponents in the preliminary rounds are Canada and Nigeria.

Two of these teams will qualify for the quarter-finals.

The Youth Cup Final will be staged in Moscow on September 7th.

TOMS TAKES ARAB CASH

COACH Tony Toms cannot believe his good luck — after landing a coaching job with El Quadisay in Saudi Arabia.

Toms was sacked by Sheffield Wednesday two years ago and decided to get right out of football to open a gymnasium in Sheffield.

Now the Saudi offer has changed all that. Toms will be paid \$2,000 a week for two years and, naturally, will be free of income tax.

Toms is known as a fitness fanatic ... and that could be bad news for his players at El Quadisay.

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	6:00PM	NSW -v- AUST YOUTH TEAM	
Sunday	4th August	PSV EINDHOVEN -v- AEK ATHENS	OLYMPIC PARK MELBOURNE
	1:00PM	VICTORIA -v- AUST YOUTH TEAM	
Sunday	4th August	AUSTRALIA -v- RED STAR BELGRADE	ST GEORGE STAD SYDNEY
	1:00PM	SEMI-FINAL COMMONWEALTH BANK CUP	
Wednesday	7th August	AUSTRALIA -v- AEK ATHENS	HINDMARSH STAD ADELAIDE
Friday	9th August	RED STAR BELGRADE -v- AEK ATHENS	ST GEORGE STAD SYDNEY
Sunday	11th August	1 -v- 2 3 -v- VICTORIA	OLYMPIC PARK MELBOURNE
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ILLAWARRA JOTTINGS

HOLIDAYS IN SUMMER?

BY PHIL MURPHY

ILLAWARRA soccer coaches are continually asking why players can't take their holidays in the summer.

Once again teams are losing key players because of 'off-season' holidays and West-Figtree have been the main sufferers recently.

First grade fullback Daryl Burleigh is just back after an overseas trip and now faces the grind of training to get back into shape.

Virtually as he arrived back at Mascot, Geoff Fellowes was jetting off overseas to add to the worries of coach Luke Robaard.

The loss of Fellowes' midfield talent could easily mean Figtree miss out on the semi-finals this season.

Bulli are also having problems, striker Mike Grew having left for a three-week holiday in New Zealand.

It could get to the stage where coaches will have to impound a player's passport before he signs a contract.

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Corrimal may yet avoid the big drop from premier league and newly appointed coach George Postgate may have to rely on an ex-Bellambi player to help him.

Striker Mitchell Langston switched to Corrimal to get a regular game in first

grade and proved his ability in the bottom-of-the-table clash with Oak Flats.

He grabbed a hat-trick in his team's 6-2 win and Postgate that will spur his players on to get the point they need to stay up.

Corrimal over-ran Oak Flats in the second half of that game after clinging to a 1-0 lead at half-time.

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One of the success stories at Fairy Meadow this season is Reg Chilby — a player who was the centre of a transfer controversy between Fairy Meadow and Wollongong City last year.

Chilby wanted to break into the NSL with Wollongong but the club couldn't come to terms

The player eventually went to Newcastle to find work and signed up to play with Adamstown for the season.

Back home this year and working locally, Chilby was able to swoop on the right fullback's spot when long serving Micky White was sidelined with an injury.

Chilby is playing soundly in the very strong defence — they have conceded just seven goals in 14 games and that speaks for itself.

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Why aren't Wollongong Macedonia attracting big crowds at home games this season?

That is an interesting question and one which coach John Bingham isn't able to answer

Bingham says he feels the success of neighboring Macedonian club Cringila in the Illawarra competition has contributed.

He says it is surprising because in recent years the team has always enjoyed a very good backing even when they weren't winning regularly.

This season they are unbeaten and favored for promotion to State League but the fans stay away.

One important reason could be that there aren't as many Macedonian names in the team as there used to be.

These days there are just Chris Talevski, and Peter Maronovic playing regularly in first grade.

NEVER ENDING SEARCH FOR TOP TALENT

BY PHIL MURPHY

WITH the departure of David Provan back to Scotland after a highly successful stint with Olympic, it is appropriate to take a look at the methods which produces players like him.

His home club, Celtic, has come up with a string of stars over the years.

Players who have played on with them or left for England — like Kenny Dalglish — and yet have been replaced by players who are just as good, and in some cases better.

The man behind part of the success is John Keleman who, according to a Scottish newspaper, has clocked up 50,000 miles in the past two years scouting for the club.

On a full-time salary, he is in charge of nine-part-time scouts whom he meets once a month to discuss what they have seen and where they are going before the next meeting.

Their beat covers a massive area and it is Keleman's claim that there are no promising players in Scotland from 13 to 15 they haven't seen, or heard about.

The youngsters are signed on "S" forms, but some are lost because Keleman and his men take too long to make up their minds.

"We are very selec-

tive," he said.

"The club is allowed 30 "S" form signings.

"We have 16. Five of them played in the Scottish schools' Under 15 side last season."

But even the magic name of Celtic does not always convince youngsters to sign.

Keleman said English clubs raided over the border regularly, with bulging cheque-books.

He said he lost two 16-year-olds recently to England, with one being offered \$52,000 to sign one while the other collected \$36,000.

All Celtic "S" form players are invited regularly to special training sessions to check their progress.

And Celtic will sign anyone.

Keleman tells the story of one youngster who is a "mad" Rangers fan, but agreed to sign for their greatest rivals.

"He stood at the Rangers end of the ground the last time Celtic played them, and when he comes to training he wears a Rangers shirt under his Celtic one," said Keleman.

"The important thing is he wants to play for Celtic. That's all we're interested in."

Keleman said sometimes all 10 scouts would take turns at watching a youngster, then submit written reports on strengths and weaknesses, before a decision was made.

So the next time a club is looking for a guest, it is safe to say that if the sign on a Celtic man without seeing him, they won't be disappointed.



A NEW GAME FOR RASIC

RALE RASIC, who realised a long time ago that his face didn't fit with the soccer establishment, could always switch to rugby league!

Rasic was invited to attend a North Sydney rugby league club function a few days ago to pass on his ideas on motivation.

The former Socceroo coach was a huge hit, making a great impression on all the league people present.

These included

president of the NSW rugby league Tom Bell and chief executive John Quayle.

Rasic didn't pull any punches when he spoke to the Norths players.

He asked them to admit, frankly, if they had played to the maximum of their ability this year. Not one had.

Rasic then asked Mitchell Cox, one of Norths' big-name stars, to come to the podium.

He lashed the unfortunate Cox, pointing out that, as one of the team's top players, it was time Cox started producing some real form.

While the rugby league players wondered just what had hit them, everyone else at the function voted Rale the star turn of the night.

The sequel came a few days later when Norths, though beaten by the strong Parramatta, improved 100 per cent on recent performances and Mitchell Cox was man of the match.

"I've become a Norths rugby league fan now," said a delighted Rale Rasic.

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JUNIOR SCENE

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Keith Gilmour

COURSE AT SYLVANIA

A COACHING session that has a little of everything for teachers, junior coaches, interested players and parents is to be held at Sylvania Soccer Club, Box Rd, Sylvania.

It has been organised by NSW Staff coach Chris James in conjunction with the NSW Education Dept and the NSW Soccer Federation.

The arrangements run from 4pm to 6pm on Tuesday, July 23 with sessions conducted by NSW Director of Coaching Allan

Vest.

The idea is to pick up some worthwhile ideas on training.

The session will show practices, drills, minor games and small-sided games suitable for use at training in PE sessions.

Copies of the prac-

tices will be available along with details of ASF courses.

In case of bad weather a sports hall is available.

Bring your tracksuit and a ball.

Enquiries can go to Chris James on 527 1512.

CASE FOR COACHES

IF ever there was an example of the need for high quality coaching it could be seen in the lack of Sydney players in the Australian Under 16 kids for the FIFA World Tournament in China.

For years NSW staggered on without a State Director of Coaching and the Under 18 and Under 16 National Championship results were often sub-standard.

That was particularly so when the numbers of players in NSW are compared with other states.

Sydney only gained three places in the 18 chosen by Vic Dalglish. Even the next four standby players are from Townsville and Newcastle.

The three Sydney Under 16s who won places are George Bouhoutsos, David Scott and David Barrett.

The full list of players and officials for the FIFA U16 World Tournament for the Kodak Cup are:

SERDERON THE PLASTIC MAN PRIZE



A TOTAL of \$1,000 in prizemoney is being awarded by leading Sydney polythene distributors Serderon Pty Ltd.

The split-up is a first prize of \$500, second \$250, third and fourth \$100 each and a consolation prize of \$50.

The prizes go to the five lucky junior associations, clubs, schools and soccer organisations who make the best contributions to AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY over the publishing period this year to September 30.

Contribution can be in story and/or pictorial form. Photographs should be in black and white although colour snaps are usually satisfactory as well.

The decision of the editorial staff of ASW will be final.

THE "KODAK KIDS"

Corrado Nobile (Fawkner Vic), George Bouhoutsos (C/bury M/ville NSW), Damien Butler (Inala City Qld), Craig Naven (Bayswater Inter WA), Gareth Naven (Bayswater Inter WA), George Jolevski (Preston Vic), Michael Graham (Wallsend NSW), Robert Runje (Frankston Pines Vic), Craig Foster (Goonellabah NSW), David Scott (Blacktown City NSW), Alf Catalano (Brisbane City Qld), David Barrett (Syd Olympic NSW), Mark Talajich (Melb Croatia Vic), Anthony Grbac (Brunswick Juventus Vic), Scott Racey (Bayswater Inter WA), Paolo Trimbo (Brighton Vic), Stelios Thodis (Heidelberg Vic), Colin Cooper (Altona City Vic).

(Neatly Rangers Qld), Matthew Nicholson (Adamstown R/Buds NNSW), David Aranyi (Cardiff Jnr SC NSW), Gavin Parry (Adamstown Rosebuds NNSW).

OFFICIALS:

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WORLD TOURNAMENT-CHINA 1985

CRAIG'S AMBITIONS

BY FRANK FINLAY

CRAIG WELDON, who specialises as a left-back and central defender, represented the Riverina in the NSW CHS Inter Regional Championships.

A 15 year old at North Albury High School, Craig represented NSW Country U16 and also was invited to become a train on player with the full NSW U16 squad.

His strongest qualities are his speed, skill on the ball, ability to read the game well and his clever take-offs for difficult

headers.

Craig started with Albury Hotspurs at the age of six.

Last year he coached his club's under nine team until school commitments caught up with him.

Quite ambitious with his studies, Craig aims after leaving school to do economics and law.



CAIRNS TO COOLANGATTA

JUNIOR soccer has a remarkable spread throughout the length and breadth of Queensland. Here is a run through of junior strength right throughout the state.

Zone 1 — Far North Queensland.

Cairns 94 teams, Johnstone River Assn (Tully) 36 teams, Tinaroo (Mareeba-Atherton) 16 teams.

Zone 2 — North Queensland.

Mackay 84 teams, Burdekin 32 teams, Townsville 161 teams, with small associates at Bowen, Charters Towers, Herbert River and Collinsville.

Zone 3 — Central Queensland.

Rockhampton 91 teams, Gladstone 67

teams, Biloela (Callida, Moura) 42 teams, Central Highlands 16 teams.

Zone 4 — Wide Bay.

Maryborough 55 teams, Bundaberg 78 teams, Gympie 37 teams, Sunshine Coast (Bunderim, Caloundra, Nossal) 85 teams.

Zone 5 — South West Queensland.

Stanthorpe 16 teams, South Burnett (Kingaroy) 28 teams, Roma 15 teams, Dalby 25 teams, Toowoomba 98 teams with small

associations at Chinchilla and Warwick.

Zone 6 — Brisbane South Districts.

Brisbane South to Beenleigh and west to Ipswich, 411 teams.

Zone 7 — North West Queensland.

Mt Isa 45 teams.

Zone 8 — Brisbane North & Districts.

385 teams.

Zone 9 — South East Queensland.

Gold Coast 156 teams.

BORDER SOCCER CLUB REPLACED

BY FRANK FINLAY

ALBURY Wodonga Soccer Club has been formed to replace the former Border Soccer Club.

Border could not meet its financial commitments and its reserve team was in real difficulties.

It was formed in 1978. After playing Southern League until last year it then entered the VSF Metropolitan Fourth Division.

A cross section of Soccer interests from both cities met at Glen Park Oval, the home of Albury Lavington Soccer Club, and reformed as Albury Wodonga.

The secretary of the steering committee, Graham Gebbels, believes that real pro-

gress has been made.

Dual registration arrangements were set up and both teams are now filled.

Players from any soccer club in the area are eligible to play in the Fourth Division.

Former Australian under 19 representative and Newcastle NSL player Neal Endacott is acting coach at present.

Neal believes that the new venture will lead to the club finishing up in Third Division within a few years.

The club plays on Saturdays and players who wish can appear for local clubs on Sundays.

PUZZLED?

Which way did they go? This Engadine U7 laddie scratches his head in puzzlement in a match played at Kirrawee.

YOUTH LEAGUE

POINTS TO SAT JULY 6

Under 15
Group A: Illawarra 21, St George, 20, Olympic 20, APIA 18, Blacktown 18, Nepean 14, Marconi 14, Sutherland 10, Canterbury 7, Granville 0.
Group B: North Bankstown 21, Melita 21, Southern Dists 19, Gladesville 18, Avala 15, Manly 13, Baulkham Hills 9, Central Coast 8, Croatia 7, Ku-ring-gai 5.
Group C: Sydney City 26, Blacktown 26, Macarthur 24, Bankstown 17, Campbelltown 17, Canterbury 15, Yugal 7, Bathurst 6, Rockdale 6.

Under 16:
Group A: APIA 23, Nepean 19, Marconi 19, Olympic 17, St George 18, C'bury-Marr 16, Blacktown 14, Illawarra 10, Granville 10, Sutherland 2.
Group B: Manly 22, Avala 16, Ku-ring-gai 16, Gladesville 16, Southern Dists 16, Croatia 15, Melita 13, Nth Bankstown 12, Central Coast 10, Baulkham Hills 0.
Group C: Sydney City 25, Canterbury 20, Bankstown 19, Rockdale 19, Blacktown 14, Macarthur 12, Bankstown 12, Yugal 11, Campbelltown 11.

Under 13:
Group A: Marconi 24, Olympic 21, Illawarra 18, Blacktown 17, APIA 15, St George 13, Nepean 11, Granville 9, Canterbury 9, Sutherland 5.
Group B: Southern Dists 21, Gladesville 18, Ku-ring-gai 17, Baulkham Hills 16, Melita 15, Avala 14, Nth Bankstown 14, Central Coast 10, Croatia 6, Manly 5.
Group C: Sydney City 28, Blacktown 25, Macarthur 19, Bankstown 17, Campbelltown 16, Rockdale 14, Canterbury 13, Bathurst 8, Yugal 4.

Under 14:
Group A: Olympic 26, APIA 24, St George 24, Marconi 15, Sutherland 13, C'bury-Marr 10, Illawarra 9, Nepean 8, Granville 7, Blacktown 6.
Group B: Melita 26, Nth Bankstown 19, Baulkham Hills 18, Avala 16, Gladesville 15, Central Coast 14, Ku-ring-gai 10, Croatia 9, Manly 7, Southern Dists 2.
Group C: Rockdale 28, Macarthur 21, Bankstown 19, Sydney City 19, Yugal 19, Blacktown 13, Campbelltown 8, Bathurst 8, Canterbury 9.



GLADESVILLE-HORNSBY UNDER 13 YOUTH LEAGUE TEAM
Back row (l to r): Andrew Dick, Shane Roberts, Chris Drouza (Co-Capt.), Anthony Jones, Troy Ellis, Jason Vickery.
Front row: Richard Jones (Mgr.), Kurt Morrison, John Rossetin, Robbie Pride (Co-Capt.), Steve Wise, Rico Kodala, Mathew Garside, Brad McIndoe, Ray Thompson (Coach).



GLADESVILLE-HORNSBY UNDER 14 YOUTH LEAGUE TEAM
Back row (l to r): Rick Giometti, David Forster (Capt.), Scott Rowe, Carl Buttrey, Chris Exharhos, Mark Giovenali.
Front row: Ross Forster (Mgr.), Anthony Rotando, Nicholas Grace, Paul Depodesta, Manuel Refenes, Crai Waters, Richard Moscato, Gunnar Schramm, Greg Kokoviadis (Coach).
Centre: Darren Woods.



This young fellow from Gympie shows how to deliver a throw-in from a perfectly balanced position.

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PROSPECT AT LEETON

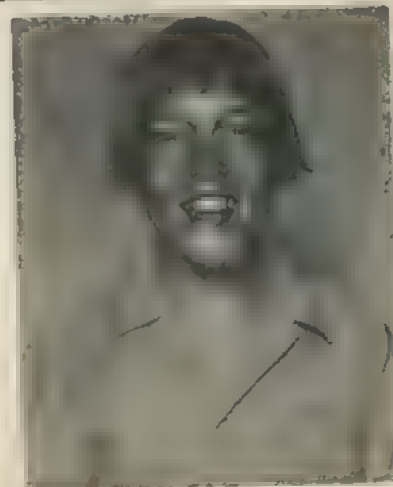
YOUNG Tim Farrell simply enjoys playing soccer, but his interest exemplifies more than that.

Tim is a prime example of the increasing link between soccer in the city and the country. His parents are both schoolteachers. Five years ago the family moved from the Blacktown district, where he played with Prospect United, to Leeton. Tim took his soccer boots along. He has

regularly been his team's best and fairest player. Playing at full back his assets are his speed and powerful kick.

In 1983 he was a member of the Leeton team that won the Lavington KO & in 1984 the Wagga KO.

— Frank Finlay



TIM FARRELL

Peter McMillan is playing his third year of soccer with Wangaratta Soccer Club.

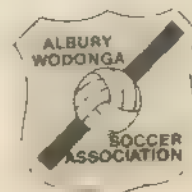
A year 9 student at the local high school, he trialled this year for the Victorian country region side.

Peter's keenness shows out as he has been an Albury-Wodonga representative and has attended the Johnny Warren Soccer Academy in Canberra.

— Frank Finlay

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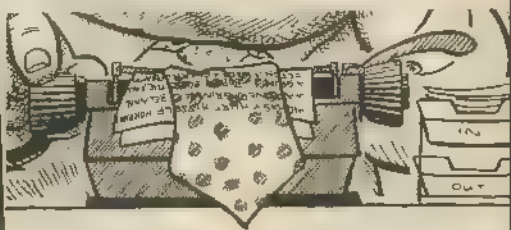


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OVERSEAS INTEREST

Dear Sir,

I am thirty-one years of age and have been in Australia for nearly two years having migrated here from England.

I was offered a contract to play for West Adelaide whilst on holiday here four years ago and currently play for Lake Macquarie in the Northern NSW State League.

I am of above average intelligence and I pride myself on knowing all there is to know about soccer.

I read about six magazines a week and have the daily papers from England sent to me regularly, including the Daily Star from Manchester, which at an educated guess, is where you get most of your information from for the UK soccer scene.

A close friend of mine is Derek Potter, chief sports reporter with the Daily Express (the star's sister paper).

I write all this information, not as an 'ego' trip but to give you an insight into my knowledge and keenness for the game.

I am an avid reader of your 'Soccer Weekly' and look forward to reading about the Northern NSW State League.

A. Williamson,
Belmont North

ED - You certainly seem very knowledgeable of our hallowed game and thanks for your support of ASW, but as for your so-called 'educated' guess as to where our UK information resides from... I'm sorry to tell you that you are terribly mistaken!

GIVE N.N.S.W. A GO!

Dear Compiler of junior scene,
It appears you do not realise your Soccer Weekly is read in Northern NSW as you named the 14 C.H.S Sydney area boys, even the standbys, but as usual no country boys.

It's common for you 'Sydney-ites' to not recognise that the nursery of soccer is in the north, you only have to see the NSL teams and the performances of N.N.S.W against N.S.W at the Australian carnivals.

Boys you omitted have played for Australia, one is off to China and the other a stand-by for the same tour.

Why don't you make an all round effort and not do half a job, you call for other clubs and associations to contribute to your magazine, what would be the use!

A past buyer of A.S.W!

ED - Sorry you feel so strongly about it, but it would seem you haven't looked before leaping here.

Our junior scene is by far the biggest and best in any publication you care to name. As it is, the same thing applies to the Northern NSW personnel as does to everyone - if you wish to have some of your own information published then it is up to you to make us aware.

Our resources are limited and we can't be expected to be everywhere all the time, and as for your 'half-job' claim, leaving out a little piece on N.N.S.W does not constitute doing a 'half job' as you so quaintly put it. As I said we at ASW would love more N.N.S.W information in our publication...the rest is up to you

ATHLETIC THERAPIST

A letter to the ASF

Dear Mr. George,
My name is Al Steip and I have been a student recently at the University of Ottawa in Canada.

I graduated in April with my honours health degree. Thus I am currently seeking employment, especially in the field of athletic therapy.

I am qualified and willing to take care of emergency and athletic injuries. I would do fitness testing and training as well as counselling in nutrition and other health fitness areas.

If you know of one of the soccer teams in your league seeking a therapist, could you please forward my resume and letter to them.

Thanking you for your time and co-operation.

Al Steip,
St. Thomas, Ontario,

ASF's reply....

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter regarding employment in Australia in the field of Athletic Therapy.

I have to advise that your application has been sent to the local soccer newspapers and a NSL 1985 yearbook.

If you wish to contact the clubs in the year book direct, then we leave that choice to you.

Brian J. Emery,
ASF Executive Director

ED - If any club is interested in obtaining further information and references they are available at ASW, they are quite impressive and make for exhaustive reading, a chance perhaps for a club to further its professionalism.

A MIXED BAG

Dear Sir,

As a regular reader of Soccer Weekly, I wish your and the paper well in your new set up.

However I hope the standard of match reporting will improve. At present reports seem to consist of about 2 paragraphs with little or no description writing and the scorers names are mentioned - end of story.

Secondly may I venture an opinion on the "Pratten Park Fiasco". This has been a possibility for some time now as any soccer follower would be well aware. Instances are the same two clubs last years game and this year K.O. Cup Semi-Final, when "the mob" greatly influence some disgraceful refereeing decisions.

I suggest through, that not all of the blame lies with the club or indeed their Committees, but with weak Disciplinary Committee sentences. Both clubs involved have players who regularly reach maximum disciplinary points and serve their ONE match suspension and return with a clean slate.

I feel that continual offenders such as these should be considered on their own all record and dealt with accordingly, not handed the automatic 1 match suspension. For example 12 points first time round 1 match plus \$200 fine. Second time 4 matches and \$500 fine. Send off 3 matches suspension and \$500 fine. Second send off in a season 6 games and \$500 Fine - and I would keep records over 3 seasons so that regular offenders

can be "pulled up" at their first offence in a new season.

What I am saying is cut out foul play and foul players and the referees jobs become that much easier.

I know that soccer is a contact sport, but deliberate foul play should be punished - not rewarded with representative selection as seems to be the case at present.

Before you start protesting take a look at the disciplinary records of 70% of the present representative squad.

In conclusion my "solution" to the Pratten Park Affair - no replay - no points to either side - that way both clubs lose and that's what their respective records deserve at least in games against each other.

The gate money taken at the abandoned game to the forfeited to NSL and given by them to some Charity such as Disabled Athletes.

John Jones,
Adamstown,

P.S. If you don't like the paragraph about rep honours don't print it - I won't mind!

ED - Firstly thank you for the well wishes. As for your complaint on the match reports, it must be remembered that a deadline is set and it has to be met and unfortunately sometimes the match reports suffer but we will continue to try and bring you the best information possible - just bear with us. As for the 'Pratten Park' fiasco no one can or will condone that sort of behaviour but plenty has been said on the matter and no further elaboration is needed at this end.

OPEN LETTER TO SIR ARTHUR GEORGE

Dear Sir,

In regards to answers to questions in the Sydney Morning Herald a couple of months past.

Australian soccer would be deprived of an opportune moment to highlight the truth, if we allow your comments to go unnoticed.

The Era of Sir Arthur George, that lasted 16 years and still continues will be remembered for many generations as the era of trial and error.

Your dream to make soccer the national sport of Australia was shared by many and fruition of that dream would have been a just reward for the effort that may people put in.

However it was not to be. You, Sir had the power to influence many aspects of soccer's course.

A great deal of work and foresight on the international scene as well as the local formation of National competition will be attributed to you and as such they are worthy of highest commendation.

However, you sir have failed the code in the most important area, and that is at grassroots development. Your obsession for change was counter productive.

Migrants were driven away and anglo-saxons never accepted it.

ETHNIC BIASED

Dear Sir,

As a regular reader of ASW and supporter of Australia's premier club, Sydney Croatia, I was completely incensed at the "ethnics are animals", attitude of one of your writers Tom Anderson in an article "Soccer Scrum" in the Daily Mirror on the 8/7/85.

In the article Tom Anderson called for the banning of ALL ethnic names and supporters of ethnic teams - if that could not be done he suggested "the N.S.W. government should give the NSL administrators a couple of acres four miles past the black stump and let the ethnic team supporters beat the tops out of each other - as long as it's far away from decent sportsfans."

"Decent sportsfans," I'm sure would include the drunks at the cricket on the SCG hill with their civilised 'beer can fights'.

Decent sportsfans, would definitely not include the thousands of Sydney Croatia fans that have gone week in week out to

You have failed the very basic lesson in economy: There are lasting products and there are gimmick products.

Lasting products are those for whom the need evolves along with the acceptance of continuity.

Soccer is a lasting product that can be promoted as such and also as a gimmicky product.

That is where people often fail. The North American League is an example as well as local Newcastle United.

In either of these instances, clubs were not subject to normal evolution, as such they had little meaning to its army of supporters.

Under your leadership, clubs were asked to change their names and accept Anglicised geographical identity. This had provided no incentive for and Italian who lived away from Leichhardt and the facts are that over 80% of Italians live in other places of the Sydney Metropolitan area than that of Leichhardt.

The same applies to Croatians and many other national groups that made Australia their home.

During your leadership, the community most deserving of a team in the National League were the CROATIANS.

In every capital city in Australia they have most prominent clubs competing in their states premier competition.

Ignoring those clubs for all these years was to the detriment of Australian soccer.

Today both Sydney and Melbourne Croatia are trend setters of the NSL proving beyond doubt, that had they been admitted

ted earlier, soccer would have benefited.

You see, the real problem with Australian soccer are people of your generation.

You still believe in the dark ages of assimilation. We no longer have to be anglo-saxonised. Present Australia has progressed in human acceptance.

We have been integrating for many years now. We in Australia are leaping even further.

We are accepting people for what they are. We no longer tell people to change, we ask them to accept our ways and tell us if they find them objectionable.

We encourage people to enrich Australia with their culture, their wealth of knowledge, their courage and their ambition. We also ask people that they should discourage any activity that may bring disharmony to this multi cultural Australia.

Many of us still believe that one day soccer will be major national sport.

We believe that your mistakes must not be ignored. We must learn from them and prepare for a better future.

Peter Lukunic,
Former secretary of
Sydney Croatia.

ED - The words you have spoken are stern indeed. It must be said though that after all the criticisms you seem to have painted too much of a rosy picture. Everything is not as clear cut as you claim. As for Croatia's belated entry into the NSL, sure it has proven an amazing success but it wasn't so healthy last season.

Like the saying goes...Success breeds success

off-season spent approximately \$150,000 and also in the process of installing first class floodlights

In conclusion Tom Anderson in his article used as basis for his information in reference to "ALL ethnics" his heart - not his mind which prompts one to ask "are ethnic soccer supporters the only mindless animals."

M. Beretin,
Beverly Hills,
NSW

ED - You have certainly hit out in an acrid manner but if the shoe fits



Last weeks riot has certainly caused plenty of interest and comment.

ASW NSW STATE LEAGUE

HOW THE MIGHTY FALL!

BANKSTOWN NATIONAL4
KU-RING-GAI..... 3

KU-RING-GAI continued their very poor form against lowly placed sides when they were buried 4-3 by Bankstown National at Jensen Park.

Bankstown notched their first win of the season over the fancied Ku-ring-gai outfit, leaving the minor place battle in the State League wide open.

When Ku-ring-gai scored in the 6th minute it seemed only a hiding could be on the cards.

The goal came when a Chris Quigley free-kick found Craig Bass charging in to score.

But Ku-ring-gai played too much of a layed back match and in the 27th minute allowed Banks-

town to equalise, when Peter Hassan drove home a free kick that by-passed a poorly organised wall.

Ten minutes later Antonopoulos, Bankstown's acquisition from Canterbury gave them the lead when he snuck the ball home unattended.

Antonopoulos was one of the stars with a 'will 'n' the wisp' performance.

Neil Hunter made it 2-1 all with a strong blast but Ku-ring-gai's under-estimation of Bankstown began to prove their downfall.

By playing an abnormal (for them) 4-3-3 system they showed serious deficiencies, especially in defence where the absence of Terry Bertram and an injury to Trevor Jesse distorted the side.

A couple of quick attacks immediately after the resumption saw Antonopoulos make it 3-2

following some fine lead up work by Peter Hassan.

Then Bankstown attempted to 'shut up shop' and Ku-ring-gai were forced to try and break them down.

On the counter attack Bankstown made it 4-2 when Housseini scored.

Right on the full-time whistle Brian Goldsworthy pegged one back. A penalty was awarded for a handball on the goal line.

Goldsworthy had his shot saved — he scored from the rebound and had it disallowed.

He then scored from the retake.

BANKSTOWN: Smith, Hatten, Rajab (Housseini 43), Lamond, Popovic, Antonopoulos, Meerbank, Apanian, Mocera, Green.

KU-RING-GAI: Lacey, Kevern, Goldsworthy, Jesse (Ellam 64), Watson, Quigley, Brockbank, Sutherland, N. Williamson, Bass, N. Hunter (Nile 73).



JAY O'ROURKE

FAIRY MEADOW.....0
CANTERBURY.....0

THIS scoreless draw at Corrmal proved that all the sides at the top are realising the importance of not dropping points — even if it means not scoring.

Albeit, there were scoring chances aplenty but they were all wasted.

Admittedly Fairy Meadow were the better team and proved again that down the coast they are near invincible.

At the 76 minute mark Fairy Meadow claimed a goal but were denied by the referee and in the end Chris Hummed.

With only moments remaining both Marcos Silva and Paul Kirwan had opportunities but both missed.

AVALA.....0
MELITA
EAGLES.....1

AN even match settled by the lone goal was the story of the big clash between Melita and Avala.

That goal was to come in the 40th minute when a corner from the right saw Don Allan flick a header on to Warren Dutton who in turn found Lenny Vial drilling a shot in.

Avala however refused to submit and they put together some intelligent and eye-catching moves.

Drama at the death-knell — when a scrimmage in front of Melita's goal saw a penalty awarded to Avala when a shot hit the arm of Greg McCoy, one of three players on the ground.

The penalty was taken by big John Lembrink who had his shot saved by the feet of Welsh youth goalie Richard Mullen.

MANLY.....1
ROCKDALE.....0

A BELATED 1-0 win to Manly had the Manly officials crowling, 'The kids have come good.'

The all important goal came in the 15th minute when a loose ball was bobbled in by Ross Browns' 'shadow' — John Dick.

For Manly the youngsters, Wayne Pierce, Mark Holloway, Ross Hettirington and Robbie Stuart shone whilst gifted midfielder Jimmy Campbell who had just returned from injury, tore his stomach muscle once again.

SUTHERLAND.....3
URUGUAY
AUBURN.....0

SUTHERLAND finally 'hit their straps' and recaptured their old form to win 3-0 at Mona Park.

Goals by Steve Meads, Brian Gray and Vic Dal Forno gave them the win. Yet it could have been so much more if it hadn't been for 'keeper Rosano.

WARRINGAH.....7
POLONIA.....1

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HEAVY SCHEDULE FOR DALGLEISH'S TROOPS

BY FRANK COLETTA

WITH THE U/16 World Cup fast approaching, coach VIC DALGLEISH has mapped out a fairly rigorous lead-up for his young 'stormtroopers'.

Starting on Sunday the 21st at the Croatian Sports Centre at 1pm the Australian U/16's take on the NSW U/18 side, a match which Dalgleish is delighted to be starting the long trek with and that the Croatian officials would go as far as to move one of their own youth matches late into the night for it.

"The assistance has been wonderful not only at Croatia but also at Mt. Druitt's home ground - Popen-detta Park. They at

Mt. Druitt actually asked us to officially open their new stand and club house but for in-climate weather it would have been done, unfortunately we were unable to.

"Also my thanks go out to Alan Vest, Mick Jones, Tony Basic and Marijen Devic for their help and all the work they put into arranging these trial matches."

Monday 22nd: Popen-detta Park 8pm vs Sydney Croatia.

Tuesday 23rd: Melita Stadium 7pm vs Melita 2nd grade.



VIC DALGLEISH:

TNT SKYPAK SOCCER LEAGUE

SATURDAY JULY 20:
CANTERBURY M'VILLE v MANLY WARRINGAH ARLINGTON OVAL

SUNDAY JULY 21:
SUTHERLAND SHIRE v FAIRY MEADOW SEYMOUR SHAW PARK
ROCKDALE ILINDEN v KU-RING-GAI HURSTVILLE OVAL
MELITA EAGLES v URUGUAY AUBURN MELITA STADIUM
WARRINGAH NARRABEEN v AVALA N'BEEN FITNESS CAMP
POLONIA v BANKSTOWN NATIONAL CHOPIN PARK

SECOND DIVISION

SATURDAY JULY 20:
Penrith Utd v Gladesville Hnsby
Cook Park
Arlarmon v Bathurst '75
Antarmon Reserve
Queens Park v Nth Bankstown
State H/Q Parklea
Campbelltown City v Cant & Dist
Lynwood Park
Blacktown United v Dee Why Swans
Francis Park

SUNDAY JULY 21:
Nth Bankstown v Queens Park
Potts Park
Cant & Dist v Campbelltown City
Blick Oval
Wollongong Mac v SSC Yugal
Berkeley S/G
Dee Why Swans v Blacktown Utd
Cromer Park

SATURDAY JULY 27:
MANLY WARRINGAH v SUTHERLAND CROMER PARK

SUNDAY JULY 28:
FAIRY MEADOW v MELITA EAGLES CORRIMAL MEM PK
KU-RING-GAI v CANT M'VILLE OLY PARKLANDS OVAL
BANKSTOWN NATIONAL v ROCKDALE ILINDEN JENSEN PARK
URUGUAYAN AUBURN v WARRINGAH N'BEEN MONA PARK
AVALA v POLONIA KNIGHT PARK No 4

THIRD DIVISION

SATURDAY JULY 20:
Kingsford v King Tomislav
Turruwul Park
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NSW BUST THE AMERICANS

NSW defeated the visiting American girls' team, El Camino, 5-4 last Tuesday night under floodlights on a rain-affected pitch, at Peakhurst Park in Sydney.

The El Camino team came to Australia with the impressive record of having played 64 matches for 63 wins with the other match drawn.

But the "blues" stormed to a 2 nil lead in the first 20 minutes to have El Camino on the ropes, before over-anxious attacking play by NSW led to some slack defending.

With NSW doing what Brazil did in the 1982 World Cup, (that is they forgot to defend), almost came unstuck as El Camino hit back with three goals as NSW also added another two.

With the scoreline flashing an over-generous 4-3 at the break, NSW's assistant coach and former World Cup player, John Doyle, roasted the girls for their loose defending.



MANDI LANGLAAR, NSW's international defender, starred for the State side.

The fullbacks were Mandi Langlaar and Jeneane Aitken, with Australia's captain Julie Dolan in a new role at stopper with former goalkeeper, Toni McMahon sweeping.

NSW rained in goals

from Cindy Heydon, Kim Lembryk, Carol Vincent, Leigh Wardell and a spectacular header from a corner by Margaret Petrov.

The second session of play saw a vast improvement, as NSW displayed a better

shape and greater control with team adjustments.

Right-back, Langlaar swung across to free-back, McMahon switched to stopper, releasing Dolan to push into her natural midfield spot where she was flanked by Petrov and Therese McCann.

Twin-strikers Carol Vincent on the right and Jan Reddington on the left, worked hard up front with Cindy Heydon slotting just behind them as a third hitter.

Best performers for the State side were Epping's Carol Vincent, Forest Rangers' Therese McCann and Killarney's Mandi Langlaar.

With a little more polish, this NSW side will prove a serious threat to reigning AWSA Champions Queensland, in the coming nationals titles next month to be staged in Melbourne.

The NSW squad for the Championships is:

J. Adams, C. Heydon, T. McCann, T. McMahon, R. Cheevers, K. Lembryk, M. Russell, M. Petrov, M. Langlaar, J. Aitken, J. Dolan, R. Withers, J. Riddington, J. Thomas, L. Wardell, F. Townson.

NSW WINS IN NATIONAL WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS

BY KEITH GILMOUR

NSW went through undefeated to win the National Women's under 17 championships in Hobart without having a goal scored against them.

The last game was expected to be a test of strength with Northern NSW but strikers Suzie Coughney and Nicole Komoroski each scored twice in a 4-nil victory.

NSW also excelled in the under 15 grade where they came home four points clear of the other three contesting states.

Julie Hebb, the NSW Under 17s left-winger, lofted a beautiful goal to give NSW a 1 nil advantage during the week over the tenacious Western Australia in the National Championships.

In the same Grade, the Northern Territory girls shocked Victoria and hit the cross-bar before going down 2-1

in an excellent match.

The surprise packet in the Under 15 division, was Tasmania who upset Northern NSW 1-0 with a goal by crack striker, Lee Priest.

The tournament itself reflected tremendous credit on the Tasmanians whose organisation was very close to faultless.



Sonia Nagel, of the ACT (left), closes in on Victoria's Jackie Cassar (dark shirt) in the under 17s match at Wentworth Park, Hobart.



WENDY HESS, Under 17s player from Western Australia (above), reaches the ball just before her Northern NSW challenger Elizabeth Marshall comes for the tackle during Day 1 of the national Under 15 and Under 17 Girls' Soccer Championships at Wentworth Park, Hobart, Tasmania.

LIVERPOOL REPS STAGES

THE NSW Women's Amateur Soccer Federation's U15 and U17 representative competitions will be held under floodlights at Liverpool each Friday night.

The venue is the Ireland Park grounds in Memorial Ave Liverpool.

Competing will be some of the best young players in the metropolitan area.

and 8 pm, with 'catch-up' State League

In U15 grade the contestants will be North Harbour, Liverpool, Holroyd A, Holroyd B and Blacktown.

games played at 9.15 on some occasions.

The U17 teams involved are Gladesville, Holroyd, Liverpool and North Harbour.

Matches have been set down for 6.45 pm

NEWCASTLE WOMEN'S SENIOR SQUAD



The Newcastle women's senior squad, which made its first appearance at the 1985 Northern NSW Championships in Lismore. The Newcastle women have been formed as part of the Newcastle Soccer Association.

TAMWORTH WOMEN'S REPRESENTATIVE TEAM



Here is the Tamworth women's representative team. Goalkeeper Janelle Renshaw, centre front row, has been the Northern NSW State goalkeeper for the past three years.



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SOCCER WORLD



COUNTRY BEFORE CLUB

WHEN World Cup qualification is in the balance, Honduras football administrators go about their business seriously.

This season, clubs have been forbidden to select any of their stars who are preparing for the World Cup.

And foreign players have been banned completely.

There is one exception — Ossie Altamarino from Argentina. Altamarino has been leading goalscorer in Honduras four times and has become a naturalised Hondurean.

FRANK STAYS PUT

BORDEAUX'S bid to buy Frank Stapleton from Manchester United has failed because the Irish centre-for-

ward has decided to remain at Old Trafford.

When Stapleton made his decision, United dropped out of the bidding for Gary Lineker of Leicester City, who subsequently went to Everton.

"We are happy with Stapleton's decision to stay at United," said chairman Martin Edwards.



FRANK STAPLETON

VERONA MISS BRUNO CONTI

BRUNO CONTI, Italy's World Cup star, has decided to stay with A.S. Roma and not join the champions, Verona, as expected.

Roma bettered the Verona offer and Conti has now signed a new three-year contract.

One player who has no intention of re-signing with Roma is Brazilian midfielder Cerezo.

Cerezo caught a fast jet to Brazil immediately after Roma's final match — and he's staying there.

Cerezo is about to have his nose put out of joint by the arrival of Poland's Zibby Boniek from Juventus.

"Only two foreign players are allowed in the team and, since Roma are getting Boniek, there will be no room for me," said Cerezo.

"I will not play for any Italian club. I will wait in Brazil until Roma sell me to a Brazilian club," said Cerezo.

His wife hated living in Rome and that's another reason he is quitting.

He added: "Until I am transferred I will not play football at all."



BRUNO CONTI...staying with A.S. Roma.

LATIN PLAY-OFFS

CHILE, Paraguay, Peru and Colombia will play-off for one place in the World Cup next year, following the final matches in South American qualifying games.

Argentina finished on top of group 1, with Peru runners-up, Colombia third and Venezuela bottom.

In group 3, Brazil finished on top with two wins and two draws and Paraguay were second. Bolivia were last team in the group.

COUTINHO IN AGAIN

BRAZIL's soccer president Giulite Coutinho will have his term of office extended from January next year to January 1987.

This, despite a CBF ruling that no president may serve for more than two terms of office.

Now Brazil has qualified for the World Cup, it was thought prudent to leave the president in power rather than risk rocking the boat.

CLUBS in Sweden's second, third and fourth division are seeking players from England.

They've even adver-

tised in "SHOOT" magazine for them.

The English game can't be all that bad after all.

IT'S FREEZING FOR FRITZ!

ADMINISTRATORS in West Germany are calling for an extension of the mid-winter break until the end of February.

They point out that good football cannot be played on weather-affected grounds and, even more important, crowds will not watch in bad weather.

If the idea is accepted, Germany will have the shortest summer holiday break of all time.

Attendances at matches caused football authorities many worries because even the greatest of teams were shunned by the fans.

Bayern Munich had average home crowds of 35,400 in the first half of last season but on the resumption of the league, fans stayed away in large numbers.

Bayern's first match in the second half of the season was against Armenia Bielefeld and it attracted just 8,000 people.

The magnificent Olympic Stadium in Munich accommodates 78,000, so there were 70,000 empty places for the Bielefeld game!

But you have to hand it to Bayern for trying to bring back the missing crowds — they reduced admission prices by up to 50 per cent. It didn't help at all.

One club, Fortuna Dusseldorf, asked its players to take a cut in wages of 11 per cent.

HOLGER HIERONYMUS, the Hamburg and West German international sweeper, is leasing a sports centre where he hopes to make a reasonable living after being forced out of the game with injury.

At 26, the player has fought bravely to recover from a knee injury caused in the Hamburg v Mannheim match 15 months ago.

In a collision with a Mannheim player,

Hieronymus damaged knee ligaments, the cartilage and the knee cap.

He collected compensation of \$200,000, the same figure Hamburg were paid for los-

ing his services.

Hieronymus played only three times for his country, the last appearance being at Wembley when West Germany beat England 2-1. That was in October 1982.

FRANCE GETS JORGE

ARGENTINA's international Jorge Burruchaga has been transferred from Independiente to Nantes in France.

Horst Hrubesch has returned to his native Germany to sign with Borussia Dortmund.

Hrubesch played in Belgium for Standard Liege but earned his real fame as scorer of vital goals for SV Hamburg some years ago.

TALENTED young striker Gary van Egmond says he is feeling the benefit of playing for six months in Holland, particularly as it has refreshed his mental approach to the game. He bought his own contract out from Leichhardt for the fee which was fixed at \$15000 and headed off to join Blacktown City.



HORST HRUBESCH...he's a winner

LEEDS SNARE SNODIN

LEEDS UNITED reckon they have signed the right man to take them back into first division football.

The player is midfielder Ian Snodin, 21, from Doncaster Rovers.

For the past few years, Snodin has been personally helped by former Leeds United Scottish star Billy Bremner,

who manages Doncaster.

"Mr Bremner says I am faster than he was but have the same style," said Snodin.

"He's been like a dad at Doncaster — taught me all I know." Leeds paid \$400,000

to land Snodin and had to beat off bids from several other clubs seeking the young midfielder.

Sheffield Wednesday, Nottingham Forest, West Brom and Chelsea all wanted to buy him.

But once he took a look at the Elland Road set-up and met manager Eddie Gray,

Snodin knew Leeds United had to be his next club.

Last Saturday, Ian Snodin was married to his girl friend Joanne at Doncaster registry office.

On Thursday, he abruptly neglects his honeymoon to report at Elland Road for Leeds United's first training session for the new season.

TIRED? McSTAY DENIES STORY

PAUL McSTAY of Celtic has been rated the finest midfield youngster in British football, but towards the end of last season, his form hit a slump.

McStay was dropped from Scotland's international team for games against England and Iceland and even suffered the humiliation of being substituted in the Scottish Cup Final, won by Celtic.

Celtic was losing 1-0 to Dundee United when McStay was whipped off for defender Pierce O'Leary.

"My passes were going just wide of their target. I love to be involved all the time for club and country but it is up to team managers if they pick me or leave me out.

"I'll be doing everything I can to get back next season for Celtic and Scotland.

"Let's hear no talk about being tired or

exhausted. I'm only 20 and I feel great."

People claim McStay has had too much football over the past four years but he denies this.

"I feel as strong as ever," he says, but my form seemed to shade.

"That happens to everyone and I must combat it.

ITALIANS SWOOP FOR VILLA MEN

ITALIAN club Bari made a double swoop on Aston Villa, signing Gordon Cowans and Paul Rideout for a \$2,000,000 package fee.

Bruno Bolchi, an official of Bari, confirmed the transfer fee and revealed the money the Villa pair would get.

"Cowans will earn \$180,000 a year and Rideout \$90,000," said Bolchi.

Both players underwent medical examinations before Bari closed the deal and were given a clean bill.



GORDON COWANS

Cowans has taken a long time to recover from a serious leg fracture but is now determined to win back a spot in England's squad for the World Cup in Mexico.

The transfer money will be used by Villa to strengthen their side, starting with the acquisition of Gary Gillespie from Liverpool for \$100,000.

EVERTON STARS GLITTER

MIDWAY through last season, Everton boss Howard Kendall complained that his all-star side was not getting its deserved international recognition — particularly from England manager Bobby Robson.

All that has changed now, with Everton having players honoured in large numbers.

Peter Reid, Paul Bracewell, Gary Stevens and Trevor Steven all won places in the England squad. Pat Van den Hauwe was picked by Wales, despite being a Belgian, and joined other Everton Welshmen Neville Southall and Kevin Ratcliffe. Scotland gave Graeme Sharp his first cap and Andy Gray his 20th, while the Irish Republic honoured Kevin Sheedy.

On top of all this, goalkeeper Southall was voted "player of the year" by the Football Writers Association and the players themselves, voted Peter Reid their "player of the year."

In other words, nobody would dare call Everton the neglected clubs these days.



PAUL McSTAY

SPURS PLAN IRISH TRIP

TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR hope to be the first team to overcome the ban on English teams playing in foreign countries.

The Football Association of Ireland has asked FIFA to relax the ban for just one match, allowing Spurs to play in Dublin on August 7.

The game was arranged over a year ago as a testimonial for former Spurs and Ireland full-back Jimmy Holmes.

"It has already cost organisers quite a lot of money," said FA of I secretary Des Casey.

If Spurs do get permission to play, they will have the unique distinction of being the last English club to play abroad (in Melbourne against Udinese) and the first since the ban was imposed!

HOWE HITS BACK

DON HOWE ran the gauntlet of fan disapproval last season at Arsenal but he is determined to stay as manager at Highbury.

Howe has given up his summer holiday to make sure his team is in good shape for the August 17 start of the season.

He denies that he is suffering from too much pressure.

"I have not had the chairman on my back. The word 'pressure' was invented by the media. It is a cliché," said Howe.

"I fully accept the responsibility of being Arsenal manager. If the team is not doing well, I'm the guy they are gunning for.

"But I am sick of silly stories surrounding my job. I am back as manager of Arsenal

and it is the biggest job in English football," he added.



CHARLIE NICHOLAS... Arsenal problem

FOREST NEED MONEY

NOTTINGHAM FOREST paid out more than \$800,000 to sign Coventry defenders Stuart Pearce and Ian Butterworth, and that

is big money for the not-so-well-supported Forest.

So Tottenham Hotspur's bid for Chris Fairclough, which Forest say they've rejected, might eventually be accepted to balance the books.

With Pearce and Butterworth at Forest, Australia's Alan Davidson is going to find it tough winning a first team spot next season.

IF Leichhardt's temporary import Jim McBride stays with Stranraer in Scotland he has a date with Celtic on August 11 in the Skol Cup.

Presumably David Provan will play for Celtic, provided that his is not transferred. Both McBride and Provan incidentally played for Kilmarnock, although their times with that club did not coincide by a couple of months.



NEVILLE SOUTHALL... player of the year.



UK Scene

STEWART HASN'T FORGOTTEN

QPR's Northern Ireland international Ian Stewart has been offered a new four-year contract but he says no amount of money would persuade him to stay with the London club.

"I had glandular fever last season but played on to help the club," said Stewart.

"Then, when I was fully fit, I was left out of the team for two and a half months.

"I never complained because I did not want

to rock the boat at a difficult time for QPR ... but I cannot forget the past and that's why I am definitely leaving.

"Several clubs have spoken to me, including one in Spain and another in Germany.



IAN STEWART...wants a transfer

CHRIS FOR GARY?

CHRIS TURNER, Sunderland's 26-year-old goalkeeper, is joining Manchester United ... but he has no intention of playing understudy to international Gary Bailey.

"Gary Bailey offers tough opposition, but I feel I have a real chance of first team football at Old Trafford. Otherwise I wouldn't have considered joining United," said Turner.

The Sunderland goalie has been offered a three-year contract.



GARY BAILEY...first choice

TERRY McDERMOTT, former Liverpool and England midfielder, has refused good offers to play Australia and America.

"I still haven't decided what I'll do next season," said Terry.

PLAYERS in the Welsh World Cup squad are upset about the vital September 10 Cup qualifying match being taken to Ninian Park, Cardiff City's home ground.

The players asked for Wrexham's Racecourse Ground to be the venue.

SPURS PLAN SHAKE-UP

ONE of the biggest shake-ups in the club's history is on the cards for Tottenham Hotspur.

There just would not be room at White Hart Lane next season for so many big-name players, although assistant-manager John Pratt denies any mass exodus.

He said: "Why should our players want to leave? Were would they go? If they want to be among the honours, they have to play for one of the really big clubs.

"Garth Crooks has not signed a contract, but I expect the other lads to buckle down and fight for their places."

"At a lesser club, you would probably have to be realistic and lose some good players to accommodate others."

Even so, it will be surprising if several

top Tottenham names do not depart in the next few weeks ... despite the Pratt optimism.

Eight of the players who toured Australia recently with an under-strength Spurs squad are rumoured to be leaving!

Those in danger of the chop are Mike Hazard, Paul Miller, Danny Thomas, John Chiedozie, Ossie Ardiles, Garth Crooks, Tony Galvin, and David Leeworthy.

It is all part of a rebuilding programme at Tottenham.

The club has already bought Chris Waddle from Newcastle United and Paul Allen from West Ham United — at enormous expense.



OSSIE ARDILES

GAME, SET AND MATCH

GLENN HODDLE is not only the most talented midfielder in England — he is also no slouch on the tennis court.

When England toured Mexico recently, Hoddle (Spurs) was challenged by Arsenal's Kenny Sansom for the 'tennis championship of north London.'

Sansom tried to keep the score out of the press. It was a win for Hoddle by 6-0, 6-1.

Observers say Hoddle's flashing forehand was as good as his flashing free-kicks on the football field!

Also on the tour, England played cricket against the local Mexico City side, and Mark Hateley's left-arm bodyline bowling struck fear into the Mexicans.

The top cricketer, though, turned out to be Gary Lineker scored 45 not out in a display of real Gower Power.



GLENN HODDLE

WOLVES SACK THE DOC

TOMMY DOCHERTY has been sacked by Wolverhampton Wanderers after only one season as team manager.

Although The Doc claimed he had been offered another year by directors, the offer was apparently verbal.

The decline and fall of the famous Wolves certainly cannot be blamed entirely on Docherty who faced an almost impossible task guiding the club clear of relegation.

As Docherty himself joked not so long ago: "When I joined Wolves, directors told me they could not spend any money on new talent. They kept their promise!"

The future looks

anything but funny for The Doc, a man who boasts: "I've had more clubs than Jack Nicklaus."

Where will he find another club? That is the question which must concern this amazing character now.

It does not seem so many years ago that they were hailed as the greatest club in England, enjoying capacity attendances at their magnificent Molineux stadium as they swept to success in the first division championship and the English F.A.Cup.

NO HOME FOR CLYDE

QUEENS PARK, the famous Scottish club, have turned down a request for Clyde to use the small ground next door to Hampden Park known as Lesser Hampden.

Clyde have less than 12 months to find a new ground. The lease on their Shawfield headquarters has only that long to run.

OFFERS FOR STEIN

TWO Midlands clubs, Aston Villa and Coventry City are in the queue to sign Brian Stein, who has refused a new contract at Luton Town.

Stein has also had talks with Portsmouth boss Alan Ball, but is not keen to leave the first division.

"I was impressed with the Portsmouth set-up and with Alan Ball," said Stein, "but I need time to make up my mind."

Stein has played for England at Under 21 and full senior levels and Villa believe he is the ideal replacement for Peter Withe, who has moved to Sheffield United.

Another Luton star still seeking a new club is midfielder Ricky Hill, who, like Stein, has represented England.



BRIAN STEIN

COLLINS OUT AT BARNESLEY

BOBBY COLLINS, who for a short spell was coach of Sydney City, has been sacked as team manager of Barnsley.

Collins, voted "player of the year" when he was starring for Leeds United and Scotland, is not taking his firing lightly.

In fact, he is taking legal advice.

The little Scot has done well at Barnsley, guiding the club away from possible relegation, and he still has a year of his contract to run.

Barnsley chairman Geoff Buckle said Collins' sacking was not based on results but added: "We are looking for a new manager who will be expected to concentrate on other duties at the club, such as publicity, press relations and sponsorship."

Bobby Collins has been boss at Barnsley for only a year. He took over from another big-name midfielder, England's Norman Hunter.



CHRIS TURNER...new goalkeeper

BOLIVIA TAKES MONEY

BOLIVIA's World Cup elimination match against Brazil was switched from La Paz, 10,000ft above sea level, to the more pleasant Santa Cruz de la Sierra and a Sao Paulo newspaper report says this was done because the Brazilian Federation (CBF) paid Bolivia \$50,000.